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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1326

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO LICENSING; AMENDING SECTION 39-1202, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REMOVE A DEFINITION; AMENDING SECTION 39-1203, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO REMOVE OBSOLETE LANGUAGE; AMENDING SECTION 39-1204, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1205, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING EVALUATION OF DISCLOSURE RE-PORTS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1207, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1208, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING SEC-TION 39-1209, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S AGENCIES; AMENDING SECTION 39-1210, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1211, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE THAT CER-TAIN FOSTER HOMES SHALL BE LICENSED FOR ONE YEAR, TO PROVIDE RULEMAKING AUTHORITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, TO PROVIDE FOR LI-CENSING RENEWAL APPLICATIONS, TO PROVIDE FOR PROVISIONAL LICENSING, TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN HOME VISITS, TO PROVIDE FOR DENIAL, SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF FOSTER HOME LICENSES, TO PROVIDE FOR AP-PEALS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR LEGAL ACTION AGAINST A PERSON OPERATING A FOSTER HOME WITHOUT A LICENSE; REPEALING SECTION 39-1212, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO APPLICATION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT; AMENDING SECTION 39-1213, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING LICENSING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1214, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING ELIGIBILITY FOR A LICENSE; AMENDING SECTION 39-1215, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING EXPIRATION AND RENEWAL OF CER-TAIN LICENSES; REPEALING SECTION 39-1216, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO A PROVISIONAL LICENSE; AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 39, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 39-1216, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING PROVISIONAL LICENSES FOR A CHILDREN'S AGENCY, CHILDREN'S THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAM, OR CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY LICENSE; AMENDING SECTION 39-1217, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING VISITATION; REPEALING SECTION 39-1218, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO DENIAL, SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF LICENSES; AMEND-ING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 39, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 39-1218, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING DENIAL, SUSPEN-SION, REVOCATION, OR NONRENEWAL OF A LICENSE FOR A CHILDREN'S AGENCY, CHILDREN'S THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAM, OR CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY; REPEALING SECTION 39-1219, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO AP-PEALS; AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 39, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 39-1219, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING APPEALS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1221, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING REMOVAL OF CHILDREN; REPEALING SECTION 39-1222, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO AN ACTION AGAINST AN UNLICENSED FOSTER HOME, CHILDREN'S AGENCY, THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAM, OR RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY; AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TITLE 39, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SEC-TION 39-1222, IDAHO CODE, TO ESTABLISH PROVISIONS REGARDING ACTIONS

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AGAINST UNLICENSED CHILDREN'S AGENCIES, THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAMS, OR RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES; AMENDING SECTION 39-1301, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1301A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO PROVIDE A CORRECT CODE REFER-ENCE; AMENDING SECTION 39-1301B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1303a, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1303b, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SEC-TION 39-1303c, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1304, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMI-NOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1306, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-1307, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING RULES AND ENFORCEMENT; AMENDING SECTION 39-1307A, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING FOOD PURCHASING AND STORAGE; AMENDING SECTION 39-1307B, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING MINIMUM STAFFING REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1402, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; REPEALING SECTION 39-1403, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO THE DIVISION OF HEALTH FACILITIES SURVEY AND CONSTRUCTION; AMENDING SECTION 39-1404, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF A CERTAIN AGENCY; AMENDING SECTION 39-2401, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-2402, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS AND TO REVISE DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-2403, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY, TO REMOVE OBSOLETE LANGUAGE, AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING SECTION 39-2404, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-2405, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING RULES AND ENFORCEMENT; AMENDING SECTION 39-2407, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING CONFIDENTIALITY; AMENDING SECTION 39-2408, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING INJUNC-TIONS TO PREVENT OPERATION WITHOUT A LICENSE; AMENDING SECTION 39-3302, IDAHO CODE, TO DEFINE TERMS, TO REMOVE DEFINITIONS, AND TO REVISE DEFI-NITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-3303, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3305, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-3307, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3308, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMI-NOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3313, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3314, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-3315, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3316, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMI-NOLOGY AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 39-3321, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3326, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3330, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING A CERTAIN ADVISORY COUNCIL; AMENDING SEC-TION 39-3331, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF A CERTAIN ADVISORY COUNCIL; AMENDING SECTION 39-3332, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING MEETINGS OF A CERTAIN ADVISORY COUNCIL; AMENDING SECTION 39-3333, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3340, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3345, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3349, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSPECTIONS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE; AMENDING SECTION 39-3351, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE TERMINOLOGY; AMENDING SECTION 39-3352, IDAHO CODE, TO

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 39-1202, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1202. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this chapter:
- (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
 - (2) "Board" means the Idaho board of health and welfare.
- (23) "Child care" means that care, control, supervision or maintenance of children for twenty-four (24) hours a day which is provided as an alternative to parental care.
- (34) "Child" means an individual less than eighteen (18) years of age who is not enrolled in an institution of higher education.
- $(4\underline{5})$ "Children's agency" means a person who operates a business for the placement of children in foster homes or for adoption in a permanent home and who does not provide child care as part of that business. Children's agency does not include a licensed attorney or physician assisting or providing natural and adoptive parents with legal services or medical services necessary to initiate and complete adoptive placements.
- (56) "Children's camp" means a program of child care at a location away from the child's home which is primarily recreational and includes the overnight accommodation of the child and is not intended to provide treatment, therapy or rehabilitation for the child.
- (67) "Children's institution" means a person who operates a residential facility for children not related to that person if that person is an individual, for the purpose of providing child care. Children's institutions include, but are not limited to, foster homes, maternity homes, children's therapeutic outdoor programs, or any facilities providing treatment, therapy or rehabilitation for children. Children's institutions do not include: (a) facilities which provide only daycare as defined in chapter 11, title 39, Idaho Code; (b) facilities and agencies including hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, and intermediate care facilities for people with intellectual disabilities licensed pursuant to chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code; (c) day schools; (d) individuals acting in an advisory capacity, counseling a child in a religious context, and providing no child care associated with the advice; (e) the occasional or irregular care of a neighbor's, relative's or friend's child or children by a person not ordinarily engaged in child care.
- (78) "Children's residential care facility" means a children's institution, excluding:
 - (a) Foster homes;
 - (b) Residential schools;
 - (c) Children's camps.

No facility expressly excluded from the definition of a children's institution is included within the definition of a children's residential care facility.

 $(\underline{89})$ "Children's therapeutic outdoor program" is a program which is designed to provide behavioral, substance abuse, or mental health services to minors in an outdoor setting. This does not include children's camps,

church camps, or other outdoor programs primarily designed to be educational or recreational, such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H or sports camps.

- $(9\underline{10})$ "Continued care" means the ongoing placement of an individual in a foster home, children's residential care facility, or transitional living placement who reaches the age of eighteen (18) years but is less than twenty-one (21) years of age.
- (101) "Day school" means a public, private, parochial or secular facility offering an educational program in which the children leave the facility each day at the conclusion of the academic, vocational or school supervised activities.
 - (1 ± 2) "Department" means the state department of health and welfare.
- $(1\underline{2}\underline{3})$ "Director" means the director of the department of health and welfare.
- $\underline{\text{(14)}}$ "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (135) "Foster care" means child care by a person not related to the child, in lieu of parental care, in a foster home.
- $(14\underline{6})$ "Foster home" means a home which accepts, for any period of time, with or without compensation, one (1) or more children who are not related to the foster parent as members of the household for the purpose of providing substitute parental care.
- (157) "Group care" means foster care of a number of children for whom child care in a family setting is not available or appropriate, in a dormitory or cottage type setting, characterized by activities and discipline of a more regimented and less formal nature than found in a family setting.
- (168) "Juvenile detention" is as defined in section 20-502(7), Idaho Code, of the juvenile corrections act.
- (179) "Juvenile detention center" means a facility established pursuant to sections 20-517 and 20-518, Idaho Code.
- (1820) "Person" includes any individual, group of individuals, association, partnership, limited liability company or corporation.
- (1921) "Placement" means finding a suitable licensed foster home or suitable adoptive home for a child and completing the arrangements for a child to be accepted into and adjusted to such home.
- $(2\theta 2)$ "Relative" means a child's grandparent, great grandparent, aunt, great aunt, uncle, great uncle, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, first cousin, sibling and half-sibling.
- (21) "Representative" means an employee of the state department of health and welfare.
- $(22\underline{3})$ "Residential facility" means any facility where child care is provided, as defined in this section, and which provides day and night accommodation.
- (2 $\frac{3}{4}$) "Residential school" means a residential facility for children which:
 - (a) Provides a planned, scheduled, regular, academic or vocational school program for students in the elementary, middle or secondary grades as defined in section 33-1001, Idaho Code; and
 - (b) Provides services substantially comparable to those provided in nonresidential public schools where the primary purpose is the education and academic pursuits of the students; and

- (c) Does not seek, receive or enroll students for treatment of such special needs as substance abuse, mental illness, emotional disturbance, developmental disability or intellectual disability; and
- (d) Is not:

- (i) A college or university; or
- (ii) A children's camp as defined in this section; or
- (iii) A public or private day school in which the children leave the facility each day at the conclusion of the academic, vocational and school supervised activities.
- (245) "Transitional living" means living arrangements and aftercare services for children, or as continued care, to gain experience living on their own in a supportive and supervised environment prior to emancipation.
- SECTION 2. That Section 39-1203, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1203. FILING OF DISCLOSURE REPORTS. All children's institutions except foster homes shall file with the department a disclosure report as designed by the department division and containing only such information as set forth in section 39-1204, Idaho Code. All such disclosure reports shall be signed under oath by the administrative employee responsible for operation of the children's institution.
 - (1) An initial disclosure report shall be filed with the department:
 - (a) Within six (6) months of the effective date of this chapter for all children's institutions which are providing child care on the effective date of this chapter; or
 - (b) At division at least thirty (30) days prior to the acceptance of any child for child care.
- (2) An annual update disclosure report shall be filed by all children's institutions except foster homes each year within thirty (30) days of the anniversary of the filing of the initial disclosure report. The department division may waive the filing of an annual disclosure report by any children's institution.
- SECTION 3. That Section 39-1204, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1204. FORM FOR DISCLOSURE REPORT. (1) The department division shall design a form for the initial disclosure report which shall contain that contains only the following information:
 - (a) The name, address and telephone number(s) for each children's agency or children's institution.
 - (b) The name(s), address and telephone number(s) of the individual(s) in charge at each children's agency or children's institution.
 - (c) The number of children that can be accommodated for child care at each children's institution and a description of such accommodations.
 - (d) Whether and how the children's institution seeks, receives or enrolls students for treatment of special needs such as substance abuse, mental illness, emotional disturbance, developmental disability, intellectual disability, or students who have been identified by the ju-

dicial system as requiring treatment, therapy, rehabilitation or supervision.

- (e) A complete description of the child care services to be provided at each children's institution.
- (f) Whether and how the children's institution expects to receive payment, including payment from health insurance carriers, for identified treatment needs such as substance abuse, mental illness, emotional disturbance, developmental disability, or intellectual disability.
- (g) Whether and how the children's institution represents to the payor of the child care services provided by the children's institution that such payment may qualify for health insurance reimbursement by the payor's carrier or may qualify for tax benefits relating to medical services.
- (h) A description of the educational programs provided at each children's institution and their accreditation status.
- (2) The department $\underline{\text{division}}$ shall design a form for the annual update disclosure report which shall reference the information provided in the initial disclosure report and shall request identification of any changes in the information provided on the initial report or the previous annual update disclosure report.
- SECTION 4. That Section 39-1205, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1205. EVALUATION OF DISCLOSURE REPORTS. $\underline{(1)}$ The department division shall review all initial and annual update disclosure reports and shall categorize each children's institution, based on the type of care provided, into one (1) of the following categories:
 - (1) Foster homes;

- (2a) Residential schools;
- (3b) Children's camps; or
- (4c) Children's therapeutic outdoor program; or programs.
- (52) Each children's institution not otherwise categorized in subsections (1) through (4) of this section, except any day school, shall be designated as a "children's residential care facility."
- SECTION 5. That Section 39-1207, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1207. RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS. (1) Upon receipt of an initial disclosure report from a children's institution that the department division categorizes as a residential school, the department division shall provide a copy of such initial disclosure report to the Idaho department of education.
- (2) The Idaho department of education shall certify to the department division whether each residential school has been accredited according to the accrediting standards promulgated by the Idaho department of education, the Idaho state board of education or a secular or religious accrediting association recognized by the Idaho department of education.
- (3) If a residential school has been certified as accredited under subsection (2) of this section, then the department shall exercise no <u>division</u> does not have any further jurisdiction under this chapter over that accred-

ited residential school $\frac{1}{1}$ school remains in effect.

- (4) Upon certification of accreditation, the Idaho department of education shall notify the accredited residential school that all future update disclosure reports or other reports as the Idaho department of education may require shall be filed with the Idaho department of education $\frac{1}{100}$ as the accreditation remains in effect.
- (5) Upon the determination by the Idaho department of education that a residential school is no longer accredited, it shall notify the department division and shall notify the residential school that all future update disclosure reports must be filed with the department division.
- (6) A residential school that is not certified or accredited pursuant to this section or has lost accreditation shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the department division as a children's treatment facility pursuant to section 39-1210, Idaho Code, unless and until accreditation is certified by the Idaho department of education pursuant to this section.
- (7) The department division has the authority to postpone for up to one (1) year the designation of a nonaccredited residential school as a children's treatment facility upon receipt of an affidavit under oath signed by a legally authorized agent of the nonaccredited residential school that application for accreditation has been made to the Idaho department of education, the Idaho state board of education or an affiliated accrediting association recognized by the Idaho department of education; and the department division determines that the application is being pursued in good faith.
- SECTION 6. That Section 39-1208, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1208. STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAMS. The board administrator shall have the power and it shall be its duty to promulgate appropriate rules necessary to implement and enforce the following standards for licensing a children's therapeutic outdoor program:
- (1) Assure the organizational stability of the program, which may require incorporation under the laws of Idaho.
- (2) Require from the policy-making authority of the program the promulgation of a statement setting forth the program's purposes and objectives and describing the character and extent of the services which it offers and maintains, and the geographical area to be served.
- (3) Require a statement of solvency sufficient to maintain programs and personnel necessary to achieve its purposes and objectives and to maintain its services.
- (4) Assure such recordkeeping and reporting as may be deemed necessary to the program's services and to the $\frac{\text{department's}}{\text{division's}}$ licensing responsibility.
- (5) Assure the safety and physical care of children for whom the program assumes or accepts responsibility.
- (6) Establish the legal status of each child accepted for care and the legal authority and responsibility of the program for the child.
- (7) Require a statement of intake policy which shall set forth criteria for accepting children for care or service in relation to the program's purposes and physical demands.

- (8) The <u>department division</u> shall obtain a criminal history check on the owners, operators and employees of all children's therapeutic outdoor programs. The criminal history check shall be fingerprint based and include the following:
 - (a) Statewide criminal identification bureau;
 - (b) Federal bureau of investigation (FBI) criminal history;
 - (c) National crime information center; and
 - (d) Statewide child abuse register.

- SECTION 7. That Section 39-1209, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1209. STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S AGENCIES. The board administrator shall have the power and it shall be its duty to promulgate appropriate rules and regulations necessary to implement and enforce the following standards for licensing children's agencies to:
- (1) Assure the organizational stability of children's agencies, which may require incorporation under the laws of this state;
- (2) Require from the policy-making authority of the agency a statement setting forth the agency's purposes and objectives and describing the character and extent of the services which it offers and maintains, and the geographical area to be served; and
- (3) Require a statement of financial solvency sufficient to maintain facilities and personnel necessary to achieve its purposes and objectives and to maintain its services.
- SECTION 8. That Section 39-1210, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1210. STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES. The board of health and welfare administrator shall have the power and it shall be its duty to promulgate appropriate rules necessary to implement and enforce the following standards for licensing a children's residential care facility:
- (1) Assure the organizational stability of the facility, which may require incorporation under the laws of Idaho.
- (2) Require from the policy-making authority of the facility the promulgation of a statement setting forth the facility's purposes and objectives and describing the character and extent of the services which it offers and maintains, and the geographical area to be served.
- (3) Require a statement of solvency sufficient to maintain facilities and personnel necessary to achieve its purposes and objectives and to maintain its services.
- (4) Assure such recordkeeping and reporting as may be deemed necessary to the facility's services and to the $\frac{department's}{division's}$ licensing responsibility.
- (5) Assure the safety and physical care of children for whom the facility assumes or accepts responsibility.
- (6) Establish the legal status of each child accepted for care and the legal authority and responsibility of the facility for the child.

- (7) Require a statement of intake policy which shall set forth criteria for accepting children for care or service in relation to the facility's purposes and facilities.
- (8) Provide through observation and collateral inquiry for studies of homes into which children may be placed sufficient to enable a judgment determining the adequacy of the homes in relation to the needs of the children.
- (9) In the case of an institution specializing in maternity care to unmarried mothers:
 - (a) Assure social services on behalf of both the mother and infant; and
 - (b) Assure protection of the legal rights and rights to confidential treatment of minor unmarried mothers and their children which shall be subject to disclosure according to chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code.
- (10) The <u>department division</u> shall obtain a criminal history check on the owners, operators and employees of all children's residential care facilities. The criminal history check shall include the following:
 - (a) Statewide criminal identification bureau;
 - (b) Federal bureau of investigation (FBI) criminal history;
 - (c) National crime information center; and
 - (d) Statewide child abuse register.

 SECTION 9. That Section 39-1211, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1211. STANDARDS FOR FOSTER HOMES -- BOARD AUTHORIZED TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE. (1) The board of health and welfare shall have the power, and it shall be its and duty to promulgate appropriate rules necessary to implement and enforce the following standards for licensing private foster homes pursuant to this chapter. Such rules shall:
 - $(\frac{1}{a})$ Require evidence of income and resources sufficient to maintain the home and the services offered.
 - (2b) Require such recordkeeping and reporting regarding children's status and progress as may be deemed necessary.;
 - (3c) Assure the safety and adequate physical care of children under care.; and
 - $(4\underline{d})$ Require that foster parents be physically and emotionally suited to care for unrelated children and to deal with problems presented by children away from their own homes and own parents and shall require a criminal background check.
- (2) Any private foster home that applies for a license in the manner and form prescribed by the board of health and welfare and is found in investigation by the department to be in conformity with the rules and standards established by the department under the authority conferred by this chapter shall be licensed for a period of one (1) year.
- (3) The board of health and welfare is hereby authorized to promulgate rules allowing for continued care for appropriate individuals eighteen (18) to twenty-one (21) years of age who have been receiving services by, through, or with the authorization of the department of health and welfare or the department of juvenile corrections prior to their eighteenth birthday.
- (4) If a licensed foster home desires to apply for a renewal of its license, an application for renewal shall be filed sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date of the license in force. When such application for renewal

has been made in the proper manner and form, the existing license shall, unless officially revoked, remain in force until the department has acted on the application for renewal.

- (5) If, upon initial investigation, an applicant for a foster home license is unable to meet a standard because of conditions that are unlikely to endure beyond six (6) months from the date of such investigation, then the department may, if in its judgment the health and safety of any child is not thereby endangered, issue a provisional license for a period not to exceed six (6) months. No more than one (1) provisional license shall be issued to the same foster home in any twelve (12) month period.
- (6) For the purpose of determining whether any licensed foster home consistently maintains conformity with the standards established under the authority conferred in this section, the department, through an authorized representative, shall visit each such home as often as the department deems necessary or desirable, but in any event at intervals not to exceed twelve (12) months.
- (7) A foster home license issued pursuant to this chapter may be denied, suspended, revoked, or not renewed by notice in writing by the director or his authorized representative, served upon the applicant or licensee by registered or certified mail, setting forth the reasons for the denial, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, if upon investigation it is found that the licensee has failed or refused to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter or with any of the rules or standards established pursuant to this chapter.
 - (a) Within fifteen (15) days from receipt of notice of grounds for denial, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, the applicant or licensee may serve upon the director by registered or certified mail a written request for hearing. Upon receipt of such request, the director shall fix a date for hearing, which date shall not be more than thirty (30) days from receipt of the request and shall give the applicant or licensee at least fifteen (15) days' notice of said hearing date. The department shall notify the applicant or licensee of the decision of the director or his authorized representative within thirty (30) days after conclusion of the hearing.
 - (b) If no request for hearing is made within the time specified, the license shall be deemed denied, suspended, revoked, or not renewed.
- (8) If an applicant or licensee of a foster home is aggrieved by a decision rendered as a result of a hearing, an appeal may be taken to the district court of the county in which the group or foster home is located, in the manner and form as provided in chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code. However, the filing of the notice of appeal shall not, unless otherwise ordered, stay the proceedings of the director.
- (9) Notwithstanding the existence or pursuit of any other remedy, the department shall, upon showing good cause to the prosecuting attorney who shall represent the department in the proceeding, maintain an action in the name of the state for injunction or other process against a person as defined in this chapter who operates or maintains any foster home without first having secured a license pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
- (10) Upon a finding that the children at a foster home are endangered, the department has the authority to immediately revoke a license.

 $\underline{\text{(11)}}$ Provided, however, nNothing in this chapter shall be construed to cover the occasional or irregular care of a neighbor's, relative's or friend's child or children by a person not ordinarily engaged in child care.

SECTION 10. That Section 39-1212, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 11. That Section 39-1213, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1213. LICENSING AUTHORITY. (a1) The board of health and welfare administrator is hereby authorized and directed to establish procedures for licensing foster homes, children's agencies, children's therapeutic outdoor programs and children's residential care facilities which are maintained and operated in conformity with the rules and standards authorized herein. Such procedures shall include the manner and form for making application for license, investigation upon application and notice of decision.
- (b2) It is recognized that <u>licensed</u> children's agencies may have their own procedure for approval of foster homes affiliated with their program. Any foster home which has been approved by a licensed children's agency shall be exempt from the licensing provisions of this chapter, provided that the standards for approval by such agency are no less restrictive than rules and standards established by the board of health and welfare, and provided further that such children's agency is maintained and operated in conformity with rules and standards of the board of health and welfare. The board of health and welfare. The administrator may promulgate rules necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
- (c) The board of health and welfare is hereby authorized to establish rules allowing for continued care for appropriate individuals eighteen (18) to twenty-one (21) years of age who have been receiving services by, through, or with the authorization of the department of health and welfare or the department of juvenile corrections prior to their eighteenth birthday.
- SECTION 12. That Section 39-1214, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1214. ELIGIBILITY FOR LICENSE. Any foster home, A children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility which that applies for a license in the manner and form prescribed by the board of health and welfare division and is found upon investigation by the department division to be established in conformity with the rules and standards established by the department division under the authority conferred herein shall be licensed for a period of one (1) year.
- SECTION 13. That Section 39-1215, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1215. EXPIRATION -- RENEWAL. If a <u>licensee</u> <u>licensed children's</u> agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential <u>care facility</u> desires to apply for a renewal of its license, an application for renewal shall be filed sixty (60) days prior to the expiration date of

the license in force. When such application for renewal has been made in the proper manner and form, the existing license shall, unless officially revoked, remain in force until the department division has acted on the application for renewal.

SECTION 14. That Section 39-1216, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 15. That Chapter 12, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 39-1216, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

39-1216. PROVISIONAL LICENSES. If, upon investigation, an applicant for a children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility license is unable to meet a standard because of conditions that are unlikely to endure beyond six (6) months from the date of such investigation, the division may, if in its judgment the health and safety of any child is not thereby endangered, issue a provisional license for a period not to exceed six (6) months. No more than one (1) provisional license shall be issued to the same children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility in any twelve (12) month period.

SECTION 16. That Section 39-1217, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1217. VISITATION. For the purpose of determining whether every licensed foster home, licensed children's agency, licensed children's therapeutic outdoor program, and licensed children's residential care facility consistently maintains conformity with the standards established under the authority conferred herein, the department division, through an authorized representative, shall visit each such home and facility as often as it deems necessary or desirable, but in any event at intervals not to exceed twelve (12) months.

SECTION 17. That Section 39-1218, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 18. That Chapter 12, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 39-1218, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

39-1218. LICENSE -- DENIAL -- SUSPENSION -- REVOCATION -- NONRENEWAL -- HEARING. (1) Any children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility license issued pursuant to this chapter may be denied, suspended, revoked, or not renewed by notice in writing by the administrator or the administrator's authorized representative, served upon the applicant or licensee by registered or certified mail, setting forth the reasons for the denial, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, if upon investigation it is found that the licensee has failed

or refused to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter or with any of the rules or standards established pursuant to this chapter.

- (2) Within fifteen (15) days from receipt of notice of grounds for denial, suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal, the applicant or licensee may serve upon the administrator by registered or certified mail a written request for hearing. Upon receipt of such request, the administrator shall fix a date for hearing, which date shall not be more than thirty (30) days from receipt of the request and shall give the applicant or licensee at least fifteen (15) days' notice of said hearing date. The division shall notify the applicant or licensee of the decision of the administrator or authorized representative within thirty (30) days after conclusion of the hearing.
- (3) If no request for hearing is made within the time specified, the license shall be deemed denied, suspended or revoked or not renewed.

SECTION 19. That Section 39-1219, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 20. That Chapter 12, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 39-1219, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

39-1219. APPEAL FROM DECISION OF ADMINISTRATOR. If an applicant or licensee of a children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility is aggrieved by a decision rendered as a result of a hearing, as provided in section 39-1218, Idaho Code, appeal may be taken to the district court of the county in which the facility, program, or agency is located, in the manner and form provided in chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code. However, the filing of a notice of appeal shall not, unless otherwise ordered, stay the proceedings of the administrator.

SECTION 21. That Section 39-1221, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1221. REMOVAL OF CHILDREN. Any child or children receiving child care in a children's residential care facility or children's therapeutic outdoor program found to be operating without a license may be removed from such home, agency, or institution upon order of the magistrate court of the county in which the child is receiving care and returned to the child's own home, or placed in the custody of the department if the child's custodial parent is not available. The prosecuting attorneys of the several counties shall represent the department division at all stages of the proceedings before the magistrate court in relation to the prosecution of an unlicensed facility or program. The magistrate court shall retain jurisdiction relative to child custody pursuant to the provisions of this section. Any placement of a child in the custody of the department shall be made pursuant to chapter 16, title 16, Idaho Code. In the event that the prosecuting attorney in the county where the alleged violation occurred fails or refuses to act within sixty (60) days of notification of the violation, the attorney general is authorized to prosecute violations under this chapter.

SECTION 22. That Section 39-1222, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 23. That Chapter 12, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and designated as Section 39-1222, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

39-1222. ACTIONS AGAINST UNLICENSED CHILDREN'S AGENCIES, CHILDREN'S THERAPEUTIC OUTDOOR PROGRAMS, OR CHILDREN'S RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES. Notwithstanding the existence or pursuit of any other remedy, the division shall, upon showing good cause to the prosecuting attorney who shall represent the department or division in the proceeding, maintain an action in the name of the state for injunction or other process against a person as defined in this chapter who operates or maintains any children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility without first having secured a license pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. Upon a finding that the children at a children's agency, children's therapeutic outdoor program, or children's residential care facility are endangered, the division has the authority to immediately revoke a license.

SECTION 24. That Section 39-1301, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1301. DEFINITIONS. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions will apply:
- (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (2) "Authorized provider" means an individual who is a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist, licensed to practice in Idaho in accordance with the Idaho nurse practice act; or a physician assistant, licensed by the Idaho state board of medicine.
- $\underline{\mbox{(3)}}$ "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
 - (4) "Government unit" means:

- (a) The state or any department, division, board, or agency of the state; or
- (b) A political subdivision or any department, division, board, or agency of a political subdivision.
- (5) "Hospice house" means a facility owned and operated by a medicare-certified hospice agency for the purpose of providing inpatient hospice services consistent with 42 CFR 418.110.
 - (a6) "Hospital" means a facility which that:
 - $(\underline{1}\underline{a})$ Is primarily engaged in providing, by or under the supervision of physicians $\underline{r:}$
 - (a<u>i</u>) <u>Ceoncentrated medical and nursing care on a twenty-four (24) hour basis to inpatients experiencing acute illness; and</u>
 - $(b\underline{i}\underline{i})$ <u>D</u>diagnostic and therapeutic services for medical diagnosis and treatment, psychiatric diagnosis and treatment, and care of injured, disabled, or sick persons; and

(eiii) Rrehabilitation services for injured, disabled, or sick persons; and

(div) Oobstetrical care-;

- (2b) Provides for care of two (2) or more individuals for twenty-four
- (24) or more consecutive hours-; or
- (3c) Is staffed to provide professional nursing care on a twenty-four
- (24) hour basis.

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- (7) "Intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities" (ICF/ID) means a nonnursing home facility, designed and operated to meet the unique educational, training, habilitative, and medical needs of the developmentally disabled through the provision of active treatment.
- (8) "Licensing agency" means the division.
 (b9) "Nursing facility" or ("nursing home)" means a facility whose design and function shall provide area, space, and equipment to meet the health needs of two (2) or more individuals who, at a minimum, require inpatient care and services for twenty-four (24) or more consecutive hours for unstable chronic health problems requiring daily professional nursing supervision and licensed nursing care on a twenty-four (24) hour basis, restorative, rehabilitative care, and assistance in meeting daily living needs. Medical supervision is necessary on a regular, but not daily, basis.
- (c) "Intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities (ICF/ID) " means a nonnursing home facility, designed and operated to meet the unique educational, training, habilitative and medical needs of the developmentally disabled through the provision of active treatment.
- (e10) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, or joint stock association, and the legal successor thereof.
- (e) "Government unit" means the state, or any county, municipality, or other political subdivision, or any department, division, board or other agency thereof.
 - (f) "Licensing agency" means the department of health and welfare.
 - (g) "Board" means the board of health and welfare.
- (+11) "Physician" means an individual licensed to practice medicine and surgery by the Idaho state board of medicine or the Idaho state board of podi-
- (i) "Authorized provider" means an individual who is a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist, licensed to practice in Idaho in accordance with the Idaho nurse practice act; or a physician's assistant, licensed by the Idaho state board of medicine.
- (j) "Hospice house" means a facility that is owned and operated by a medicare certified hospice agency for the purpose of providing inpatient hospice services consistent with 42 CFR 418.110.
- SECTION 25. That Section 39-1301A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- WAIVERS FOR CERTIFIED FAMILY HOMES -- DEFINITIONS. (1) 39-1301A. Chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code, shall not have the effect of preventing two (2) persons in need of the care described in section 39-1301(\(\frac{1}{2}\)9), Idaho Code, from residing in a certified family home when:

(a) <u>Ee</u>ach of the persons has given a written statement to the <u>department</u> <u>division</u> requesting the arrangement and each person making the request is informed, not coerced, and competent; and the division:

(ba) The department fFinds the arrangement safe and effective; and

- (\underline{eb}) The department \underline{i} Issues a written waiver permitting the arrangement.
- (2) The department division shall use negotiated rulemaking when promulgating promulgate rules to carry out the provisions of this section to ensure a person's ability to choose services and service provider is considered.
- (3) The department division shall revoke any waiver granted pursuant to this section where it is determined there is a threat to the life or safety of either person or where one (1) of the persons leaves the living arrangement permanently or notifies the department division in writing that he does not wish to reside in the setting with the other individual. Any waiver granted under this section shall be reviewed annually.
- SECTION 26. That Section 39-1301B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-1301B. NURSING FACILITY CONVERSIONS. (1) A nursing facility that voluntarily reduces the number of its licensed beds to provide residential and assisted living services, certified family home services, adult day health services, respite care, hospice, outpatient therapy services, congregate meals, home health, senior wellness clinic, or other services provided under a medicaid home and community-based services waiver for the aged or disabled may convert the original facility or portion of the facility back, and thereby increase the number of nursing home beds to no more than the previously licensed number of nursing home beds provided the facility has been in continuous operation and has not been purchased or leased. Any conversion to the original licensed bed capacity, or to any portion thereof, shall comply with the same life safety code requirements as existed at the time the nursing facility voluntarily reduced its licensed beds.
- (2) To convert beds back to nursing facility beds under this section, the nursing home must:
 - (a) Give notice of its intent to preserve conversion options to the department division no later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of the license reduction; and
 - (b) Give notice to the <u>department division</u> and any affected participant of the intent to convert beds back. If construction is required for the conversion of beds back, the notice of intent to convert beds back must be given, at a minimum, one (1) year prior to the effective date of license modification reflecting the restored beds; otherwise, the notice must be given a minimum of ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of license modification reflecting the restored beds.
- (3) Conversion of beds back to nursing facility use under this section must be completed no later than four (4) years after the effective date of the license reduction. However, for good cause shown, the four (4) year period for conversion may be extended by the department division for an additional four (4) year period.

SECTION 27. That Section 39-1303a, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1303a. DEFINITION OF SERVICES AND REGULATION OF FACILITIES IN PRE-CEDING SECTION. For the purposes of this act, the board administrator shall have the authority to define the services requisite to the operation of the facilities defined and to establish rules and regulations and standards for the licensing of each type of facility and for the administrative personnel of each type of facility.

SECTION 28. That Section 39-1303b, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1303b. AGREEMENTS FOR ALLOCATION OF SERVICES BETWEEN NEIGHBORING HOSPITALS. Hospitals serving the same, or generally the same, geographical area may, by agreement or other arrangement to eliminate duplication, allocate as between themselves, in whole or in part, the provision of those services and facilities defined by the board of health and welfare administrator as requisite to their licensure as hospitals.

SECTION 29. That Section 39-1303c, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1303c. CURTAILMENT OF REQUIRED SERVICES. Any licensed facility or agency as defined, upon petition and showing of good cause therefor, to the satisfaction of the board administrator may reduce, curtail, or eliminate any service or facility which that might otherwise be required for licensure by the board. A showing that the service or facility is unnecessary by reason of an arrangement with another facility or agency as defined, pursuant to section 39-1303b, Idaho Code, shall be conclusively deemed to be a showing of good cause under this section, and any licensed facility or agency as defined which, prior to January 1, 1976, had already reduced, curtailed or eliminated any service or facility by reason of the same being provided by another licensed facility or agency as defined, in the same community shall be deemed to have complied with this section.

SECTION 30. That Section 39-1304, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1304. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE. An application for a license shall be made to the licensing agency upon forms provided by it and shall contain such information as the licensing agency reasonably requires, which may include affirmative evidence of ability to comply with such reasonable standards, and rules and regulations as are lawfully prescribed hereunder by the board of health and welfare administrator.

SECTION 31. That Section 39-1306, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1306. DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE -- HEARINGS AND REVIEW. The licensing agency may deny any application or revoke any license when per-

suaded by evidence that such conditions exist as to endanger the health or safety of any resident. Before denial or revocation is final, the licensing agency shall provide opportunity for a hearing at which time the owner or sponsor of any facility or agency, as defined, may appear and show cause why the license should not be denied or revoked. The board administrator shall provide by rule and regulation a procedure whereby a waiver of a specific rule, regulation or standard may be granted in the event that good cause is shown for such a waiver and providing that said waiver does not endanger the health and safety of any resident. The decision to grant a waiver shall not be considered as precedent or be given any force or effect in any other proceeding. Said waiver may be renewed annually if sufficient written justification is presented to the licensing agency. Hearings for licensure, including denial and revocation, shall be conducted by the licensing agency pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and appeal shall be as provided therein.

SECTION 32. That Section 39-1307, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1307. RULES, RECULATIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT. $\underline{(1)}$ The board administrator shall have the authority to adopt, amend, and enforce rules, regulations, and standards consistent with the provisions of this chapter that are designed to protect the health and safety of patients being cared for in facilities or agencies as defined.
- (2) The board of health and welfare, with the advice of the advisory hospital council, administrator shall adopt, amend, promulgate, and enforce such rules, regulations, and standards with respect to all hospitals or different types of hospitals to be licensed hereunder as may be designed to further the accomplishment of the purposes of this chapter in promoting safe and adequate treatment of individuals in hospitals in the interest of public health, safety, and welfare. Any such rules, regulations, and standards issued under this chapter that are more restrictive than medicare conditions of participation shall not apply to hospitals that are certified by medicare, through accreditation, survey, or otherwise, to participate in the medicare program. Provided further that nothing in this chapter or the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto shall be construed as authorizing the supervision, regulation, or control of the remedial care or treatment of residents or patients in any home, facility, or agency as defined, conducted for those who rely upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in accordance with the creed or tenets of any well-recognized church or religious denomination except as to sanitary and safe conditions of the premises, cleanliness of operation, and its physical equipment.

SECTION 33. That Section 39-1307A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1307A. FOOD PURCHASING AND STORAGE. Rules, regulations and minimum standards adopted by the board administrator governing skilled nursing facilities or intermediate care facilities may provide requirements for food purchasing and storage, except that no rule, regulation or minimum standard

1 may limit the maximum size of a container in which milk for drinking purposes
2 may be purchased.

SECTION 34. That Section 39-1307B, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1307B. MINIMUM STAFFING REQUIREMENTS. The board administrator shall make no rule designed to limit the work activities of any person regularly assigned to duty as nursing or auxiliary personnel preceding the assignment within the facility governed by the rules, regulations and minimum standards of the board administrator.

SECTION 35. That Section 39-1402, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1402. DEFINITIONS. As used in this act:

- (1) "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (a2) "Agency" means the department of health and welfare; division of occupational and professional licenses.
- $\underline{\mbox{(3)}}$ "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
 - (b4) "Federal act" shall means, when applicable, either:
 - (<u>+a</u>) Public <u>+law</u> 725 of the 79th <u>+congress</u>, approved August 13, 1946, <u>entitled</u> titled the <u>+hospital</u> <u>+survey</u> and <u>+construction</u> <u>+Aact</u>, and amendments thereto; <u>er</u>
 - (2b) <u>Public law 88-164, the Mmental Rretardation Ffacilities and Ecommunity Mmental Hhealth Ecenters Econstruction Aact of 1963, Public Law 88-164, and amendments thereto; or</u>
 - (3c) Public $\pm 1aw$ 91-517 of the 91st $\pm 1aw$ 200 and amendments thereto.
- (c) "Surgeon general" means the surgeon general of the United States department of health and human services; $\dot{}$
 - (45) "Health facilities" shall means any of the following:
 - (1a) A hospital. "Hospital" means a place devoted primarily to the maintenance and operation of facilities for the diagnosis, treatment, or care for not less than twenty-four (24) hours in any week of two (2) or more nonrelated unrelated individuals suffering from illness, disease, injury, or deformity, or requiring care because of old age, or a place devoted primarily to providing for not less than twenty-four (24) hours in any week of obstetrical or other medical or nursing care for two (2) or more nonrelated unrelated individuals. The term "hospital" includes public health centers in general, tuberculosis, mental, chronic disease and other types of hospitals, and related facilities, such as laboratories, outpatient departments, nurses' home and training facilities, and central service facilities operated in connection with hospitals;
 - (2b) A facility for the provision of public health services, including related facilities such as laboratories, clinics, and administrative offices operated in connection with said facility;
 - (3c) A facility specially designed for the diagnosis, treatment, education, training, or custodial care of people with intellectual dis-

 abilities, including facilities for training specialists and sheltered workshops for people with intellectual disabilities, but only if such workshops are part of facilities which that provide or will provide comprehensive services for people with intellectual disabilities; or

- $(4\underline{d})$ A facility providing services for the prevention or diagnosis of mental illness, or care and treatment of mentally ill patients, or rehabilitation of such persons, which services are provided principally for persons residing in a particular community or communities in or near which the facility is situated or at a statewide facility.
- (6) "Nonprofit facility" means a facility owned and operated by one (1) or more nonprofit corporations or associations, no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.
- (e7) "Secretary" means the secretary of health and human services of the United States, or his delegate to administer the federal act;
- (f) "Nonprofit facility" means a facility which is owned and operated by one (1) or more nonprofit corporations or associations no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.
- (8) "Surgeon general" means the surgeon general of the United States department of health and human services.

SECTION 36. That Section 39-1403, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 37. That Section 39-1404, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-1404. GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES. In carrying out the purposes of the act, the agency is authorized and directed:
- $(a\underline{1})$ To require such reports, inspections and investigations and prescribe such regulations rules as it deems necessary;
- $(b\underline{2})$ To provide such methods of administration, appoint a director and other personnel of the division on a merit basis and take such other action as may be necessary to comply with the requirements of the federal act and the regulations thereunder;
- (e3) To procure in its discretion the temporary or intermittent services of experts or consultants or organizations thereof, by contract, when such services are to be performed on a part-time or fee-for-service basis and do not involve the performance of administrative duties;
- $(\underline{e4})$ To the extent that it considers desirable to effectuate the purposes of this act, to enter into agreements for the utilization of the facilities and services of other departments, agencies, and institutions, public or private;
- $(e\underline{5})$ To accept on behalf of the state and to deposit with the state treasury any grant, gift or contribution made to assist in meeting the cost of carrying out the purposes of this act as herein provided;
- $(\pm \underline{6})$ To make a bi-annual report to the legislature on activities and expenditures pursuant to this act, including recommendations for such additional legislation as the agency considers appropriate to furnish adequate health facilities to the people of this state; and

(g7) To do all other things on behalf of the state necessary to obtain full benefits under the federal act as now and hereafter amended.

SECTION 38. That Section 39-2401, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-2401. PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY. (1) The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the development, establishment, and enforcement of standards for the care and treatment of individuals by agencies as provided by this chapter.
- (2) For the purposes of this chapter, the board of health and welfare administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses, in consultation with provider representatives, shall have the authority to define the services necessary to the operation of an agency, and to adopt rules, regulations and standards for the licensing of an agency.
- SECTION 39. That Section 39-2402, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 39-2402. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:
- (1) "Board" means the board of health and welfare. "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (2) "Business entity" means a public or private organization owned or operated by one (1) or more persons.
- (3) "Department" means the department of health and welfare. "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (4) "Health care services" means any of the following services that are provided at the residence of an individual:
 - (a) Skilled nursing services;
 - (b) Homemaker/home health aide services;
 - (c) Physical therapy services;
 - (d) Occupational therapy services;
 - (e) Speech therapy services;
 - (f) Nutritional services;

- (q) Respiratory therapy services;
- (h) Medical/social services; and
- (i) Such other related services as may be authorized by $\frac{\text{regulation}}{\text{rule}}$ of the $\frac{\text{board of health and welfare}}{\text{administrator}}$.
- (5) "Home health agency" means any business entity that primarily provides skilled nursing services by licensed nurses and at least one (1) other health care service to an individual in that individual's place of residence.
- (6) "Individual" means a natural person who is a recipient of provided health care services.
- (7) "Skilled nursing services" means those services provided by a state licensed nurse for the purpose of promoting, maintaining, or restoring the health of an individual or to minimize the effects of injury, illness, or disability.

SECTION 40. That Section 39-2403, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-2403. LICENSURE REQUIRED. After January 1, 1993, no No private or public agency or organization may advertise, operate, manage, conduct, open, maintain, or hold itself out to the public to be a home health agency unless licensed by the department of health and welfare division. The department division may grant licenses without conducting a licensure survey to medicare—certified agencies or agencies currently accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the health care financing administration centers for medicare and medicaid services pursuant to rules and regulations developed by the board administrator prescribing the conditions under which these actions are made.

SECTION 41. That Section 39-2404, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-2404. APPLICATION -- ISSUANCE -- RENEWAL -- DENIAL. (1) An application for a license shall be made to the department division upon forms provided by it and shall contain such information as it reasonably requires, which may include affirmative evidence of ability to comply with such reasonable standards, and rules and regulations as are lawfully adopted by the board of health and welfare administrator.
- (2) Upon receipt of an application for license, the department division shall issue a license if the applicant meets the requirements established under this chapter. A license, unless suspended or revoked, shall be renewable each and every year upon filing by the licensee, and approval by the department division, of an annual report upon such uniform dates and containing such information in such form as the board administrator prescribes by regulation rule. Each license shall be issued only for the premises and persons or governmental units named in the application and shall not be transferable or assignable except with the written approval of the department division. Licenses shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the licensed premises.
- (3) The department division may deny any application or revoke any license when persuaded by evidence that such conditions exist as to endanger the health or safety of any patient, or which will violate the patients' bill of rights, or the home health agency does not meet requirements for licensure to the extent that it hinders its ability to provide quality services that comply with rules and regulations for home health agencies, or the home health agency has a history of repeat deficiencies. Before denial or revocation is final, the department division shall provide opportunity for a hearing at which time the owner or sponsor of an agency may appear and show cause why the license should not be denied or revoked. The board administrator shall provide by rule and regulation a procedure whereby a waiver of a specific rule, regulation or standard may be granted in the event that good cause is shown for such a waiver and providing that said waiver does not endanger the health, safety or rights of any patient. The decision to grant a waiver shall not be considered as precedent or be given any force or effect in any other proceeding. Said waiver may be renewed annually if sufficient written justification is presented to the department division.

Hearings for licensure, including denial and revocation, shall be conducted by the department division pursuant to chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, and appeal shall be as provided therein.

SECTION 42. That Section 39-2405, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-2405. RULES, REGULATIONS, AND ENFORCEMENT. The board of health and welfare, with the advice of the advisory board of home health providers, administrator shall have the authority to adopt, amend, and enforce such rules, regulations and standards with respect to all home health agencies to be licensed under the provision of this chapter as are designed to further the accomplishment of the purposes of this chapter in promoting safe and adequate treatment of individuals by home health agencies in the interest of public health, safety and welfare.

Provided that <u>However</u>, nothing in this chapter or the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto shall be construed as authorizing the supervision, regulation, or control of the remedial care or treatment of residents or patients in any home, facility, or agency, conducted for those who rely upon treatment by prayer or spiritual means in accordance with the creed or tenets of any well-recognized church or religious denomination.

SECTION 43. That Section 39-2407, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-2407. INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL. Information received by the $\frac{\text{department}}{\text{department}}$ division through filed reports, or inspection, or as otherwise authorized under this chapter, shall not be disclosed publicly in such a manner as to identify individual patients of agencies, except in a proceeding involving the question of licensure. Public disclosure of information obtained by the department division for the purposes of this chapter shall be governed by rules and regulations adopted by the board. Nothing in this chapter, however, shall be construed, nor shall any rule or regulation be promulgated under this section, as to impair, restrict, or alter the confidentiality and privilege afforded the physician and patient communications, including without limitation, documentation thereof in records of agencies, or communications to and with nurses or other assisting persons or entities, nor shall this chapter be construed to amend by implication such physician-patient communication privilege as provided elsewhere in this code, including without limitation, section 9-203(4), Idaho Code, which shall remain inviolate.

SECTION 44. That Section 39-2408, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-2408. INJUNCTION TO PREVENT OPERATION WITHOUT LICENSE. (1) Notwithstanding the existence or pursuit of any other remedy, the department division may in the manner provided by law maintain an action in the name of the state for injunction or other process against any person or governmental unit to restrain or prevent the establishment, conduct, management, or operation of an agency without a license required under this chapter.

(2) The department division shall be represented by the county prosecutor of the county in which the violation occurs or by the office of the attorney general.

SECTION 45. That Section 39-3302, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3302. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Abuse" means a nonaccidental act of sexual, physical or mental mistreatment or injury of a resident through the action or inaction of another individual.
- (2) "Accreditation" means a process of review that allows health care organizations to meet regulatory requirements and standards established by a recognized accreditation organization.
- (3) "Accreditation commission" means the commission on accreditation of rehabilitation facilities (CARF), the joint commission, or another nationally recognized accreditation organization approved by the director administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (4) "Activities of daily living" means the performance of basic self-care activities in meeting an individual's needs to sustain him in a daily living environment.
- (5) "Administrator" means an individual, properly licensed by the bureau division of occupational licensing and professional licenses, who is responsible for day-to-day operation of a residential care or assisted living facility.
- (6) "Adult" means a person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.
- (7) "Advocate" means an authorized or designated representative of a program or organization operating under federal or state mandate to represent the interests of mentally ill, developmentally disabled, or elderly residents.
- (8) "Assessment" means the conclusion reached using uniform criteria, which identifies resident strengths, weaknesses, risks and needs, to include functional, medical and behavioral needs. The assessment criteria shall be developed by the department division of occupational and professional licenses and residential care or assisted living the community care advisory council.
- (9) "Authorized provider" in this chapter means an individual who is a nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist or a physician assistant.
 - (10) "Board" means the board of health and welfare.
- (11) "Chemical restraint" means a medication used to control behavior or to restrict freedom of movement and is not a standard treatment for the resident's condition.
- $(12\underline{1})$ "Core issues" means abuse, neglect, exploitation, inadequate care, a situation in which the facility has operated for more than thirty (30) days without a licensed administrator designated the responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the facility, inoperable fire detection or extinguishing systems with no fire watch in place pending the correction of the system, and surveyors denied access to records, residents or facilities.
 - (13) "Department" means the Idaho department of health and welfare.

(14) "Director" means the director of the Idaho department of health and welfare.

- $\underline{\mbox{(12)}}$ "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- $\underline{\mbox{(13)}}$ "Division administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (154) "Exploitation" means the misuse of a resident's funds, property, resources, identity or person for profit or advantage.
 - (165) "Facility" means a residential care or assisted living facility.
- $(17\overline{6})$ "Governmental unit" means the state, any county, any city, other political subdivision, or any department, division, board, or other agency thereof.
- (187) "Inadequate care" occurs when a facility fails to provide the services required to meet the terms of the negotiated service agreement or provide for room, board, activities of daily living, supervision, first aid, assistance and monitoring of medications, emergency intervention, coordination of outside services, a safe living environment; or engages in violations of residents' rights, or takes residents who have been admitted in violation of the provisions of section 39-3307, Idaho Code.
- (198) "License" means a basic permit to operate a residential care or assisted living facility.
- (2019) "Licensee" means the owner of a license to operate a residential care or assisted living facility under this chapter.
- (21) "Licensing agency" means the unit of the department of health and welfare that conducts inspections and surveys and issues licenses based on compliance with this chapter.
- (220) "Neglect" means failure to provide food, clothing, shelter, or medical care necessary to sustain the life and health of a resident.
- $(23\underline{1})$ "Negotiated service agreement" means the agreement reached by the resident and/or the resident's representative and the facility, based on the assessment, physician's orders, admission records, and desires of the resident, and which outlines services to be provided and the obligations of the facility and the resident.
- $(24\underline{2})$ "Personal assistance" means the provision by the staff of the facility of one (1) or more of the following services:
 - (a) Assisting the resident with activities of daily living;
 - (b) Arranging for supportive services;
 - (c) Being aware of the resident's general whereabouts; and
 - (d) Monitoring the activities of the resident while on the premises of the facility to ensure the resident's health, safety and well-being.
 - (253) "Political subdivision" means a city or county.
- (264) "Resident" means an adult who lives in a residential care or assisted living facility.
- (275) "Residential care or assisted living facility" means a facility or residence, however named, operated on either a profit or nonprofit basis for the purpose of providing necessary supervision, personal assistance, meals and lodging to three (3) or more adults not related to the owner.
 - (286) "Room and board" means lodging and meals.
- (297) "Substantial compliance" means a facility has no core issue deficiencies.

 $(30\underline{28})$ "Supervision" means administrative activity which provides the following: protection, guidance, knowledge of the resident's general whereabouts, and assistance with activities of daily living. The administrator is responsible for providing appropriate supervision based on each resident's negotiated service agreement or other legal requirements.

(3129) "Supportive services" means the specific services that are provided to the resident in the community.

SECTION 46. That Section 39-3303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3303. PAYMENT LEVELS. (1) Clients of the department division who are receiving financial aid as set out in sections 56-207, 56-208, and 56-209a, Idaho Code, seeking placement in a residential care or assisted living facility will be assessed by the department division regarding their need for specific types of services and supports. This assessment will determine the reimbursement rate to the service provider.

Eligible participants must be allowed to choose the facility or services that are appropriate to meet their medical needs and financial ability to pay. The department division shall promulgate rules outlining the payment policy and calculations for clients of the department division through negotiated rulemaking.

- (2) Residents who are not clients of the department division shall:
- (a) Be assessed by the facility regarding their need for specific types of services and supports. This assessment, and the individual negotiated service agreement, shall determine the rate charged to the resident.
- (b) Receive a full description of services provided by the facility and associated costs upon admission, according to facility policies and procedures. A thirty (30) day notice must be provided prior to a change in facility billing practices or policies. Billing practices shall be transparent and understandable.
- (c) Be charged for the use of furnishings, equipment, supplies and basic services as agreed upon in the negotiated service agreement or as identified in the admission agreement.

SECTION 47. That Section 39-3305, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3305. RULES. (1) The board division administrator shall have the authority to adopt, amend, repeal, and enforce such rules as may be necessary or proper to carry out the purpose and intent of this chapter which that are designed to protect the health, safety, and individual rights of residents in residential care or assisted living facilities. The department division shall exercise the powers and perform the duties conferred upon it by this chapter, not inconsistent with any statute of this state. These rules shall be promulgated in accordance with the provisions of the Idaho administrative procedure act. The department division shall, through negotiated rulemaking, promulgate rules in the following areas:

- (a) Minimum criteria for the assessment;
- (b) Minimum criteria for the negotiated service agreement;

- (c) Guidelines for the facility's physical environment and location;
- (d) Criteria for the facility's license, to include:

- (i) Initial license application criteria and procedures;
- (ii) License renewal criteria, procedures and timing;
- (iii) Inspection criteria and procedures;
- (iv) Denial and revocation of license criteria and procedures; and
- (v) Effect of previous revocation or denial of license.
- (e) Remedy and enforcement provisions for noncompliance with statute.
- (2) Rules shall be drafted and promulgated following negotiation with interested providers, assisted living nurse associations and advocates.
- SECTION 48. That Section 39-3307, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3307. ADMISSIONS. (1) A residential care or assisted living facility shall not admit or retain any resident requiring a level of services or type of service for which the facility is not licensed or which the facility does not provide or arrange for, or if the facility does not have the staff, appropriate in numbers and with appropriate skills, to provide. Prospective residents will also be informed of options and rights available through other programs, to include medicare benefits where applicable. The department division shall provide forms for this.
- (2) The <u>department</u> <u>division</u> shall develop rules governing admissions to residential care or assisted living facilities.
- SECTION 49. That Section 39-3308, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3308. ASSESSMENT. The department division shall employ uniform assessment criteria to assess function and cognitive disability. The conclusions shall be deemed the assessment and shall be used to provide appropriate placement and funding for service needs. The assessment shall also be used to ensure funding is cost-effective and appropriate when compared to other state programs relevant to the needs of the client being assessed. The department division shall develop rules regarding:
 - (1) Qualifications of persons making the assessments.
 - (2) Department's The division's responsibility for state pay clients.
 - (3) Time frames for completing an assessment.
 - (4) Information to be included in an assessment.
- (5) Use of an assessment in developing the negotiated service agreement.
 - (6) Use of assessments in determining facility staffing ratios.
- (7) Use of assessments for determining the ability of provider and facility to meet residents' needs and special training or licenses that may be required in caring for certain residents.
- SECTION 50. That Section 39-3313, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3313. ADMISSION AGREEMENTS. (1) Upon admission to a residential care or assisted living facility, the facility and the resident shall enter into an admission agreement. The admission agreement shall clearly outline who is financially responsible for resident charges and shall clearly outline the facility's resident discharge policies. The agreement shall be in writing and shall be signed by both parties. The board division administrator shall promulgate rules governing admission agreements which may be integrated with the negotiated service agreement.

- (2) A resident may be discharged for the following:
- (a) A resident's failure to pay;

- (b) The facility's inability to meet the resident's needs;
- (c) The resident's needs are greater than the level of care provided by the specific facility;
- (d) The resident is a danger to himself or others.
- (3) A resident shall have the right to appeal a discharge as established by department division rule.
- (4) Should a residential care or assisted living facility choose not to carry professional liability insurance, that information shall be disclosed, in writing, to residents upon admission.
- SECTION 51. That Section 39-3314, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3314. TERMINATION OF ADMISSION AGREEMENTS. Admission agreements may $\frac{1}{2}$ be terminated $\frac{1}{2}$ pursuant to rules promulgated by the $\frac{1}{2}$ division administrator.
- SECTION 52. That Section 39-3315, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 39-3315. ADMISSION RECORDS. (1) Records required for admission to a facility shall be maintained and updated for administrative purposes only and shall be confidential. Their availability, subject to Idaho department of health and welfare rules, chapter 1, title 5 division rules, shall be limited to administration, professional consultants, the resident's physician or authorized provider, and representatives of the licensing agency division. They shall include at least the following information:
 - (a) Name and social security number.
 - (b) Permanent address if other than the facility.
 - (c) Marital status and sex.
 - (d) Birthplace and date of birth.
 - (e) Name, address and telephone number of responsible agent or agency.
 - (f) Personal physician or authorized provider.
 - (q) Admission date.
 - (h) Results of a physical or health status examination performed by a licensed physician or authorized provider within six (6) months prior to admission.
 - (i) A list of medications, treatments and diet prescribed for the resident which is signed and dated by the physician or authorized provider giving the order(s).
 - (j) Religious affiliation if resident chooses to so state.

- (k) Interested relatives and friends other than those in paragraph (e) of this subsection. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of family members and/or significant others.
- (1) Resident assessment.

- (m) The results of any psychosocial evaluations or histories to ensure all resident needs are being met.
- (2) The resident's personal or religious preferences with respect to medical treatment and medications shall be honored.
- SECTION 53. That Section 39-3316, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3316. RESIDENT RIGHTS. A residential care or assisted living facility must protect and promote the rights of each resident, including each of the following rights:
- (1) Resident records. Each facility must maintain and keep current a record of the following information on each resident:
 - (a) A copy of the resident's current negotiated service agreement and physician's order.
 - (b) Written acknowledgement that the resident has received copies of the rights.
 - (c) A record of all personal property and funds which the resident has entrusted to the facility, including copies of receipts for the property.
 - (d) Information about any specific health problems of the resident which may be useful in a medical emergency.
 - (e) The name, address and telephone number of an individual identified by the resident who should be contacted in the event of an emergency or death of the resident.
 - (f) Any other health-related, emergency, or pertinent information which the resident requests the facility to keep on record.
 - (g) The current admission agreement between the resident and the facility.
- (2) Privacy. Each resident must be assured the right to privacy with regard to accommodations, medical and other treatment, written and telephone communications, visits, and meetings of family and resident groups.
 - (3) Humane care and environment (dignity and respect).
 - (a) Each resident shall have the right to humane care and a humane environment, including the following:
 - (i) The right to a diet which is consistent with any religious or health-related restrictions.
 - (ii) The right to refuse a restricted diet.
 - (iii) The right to a safe and sanitary living environment.
 - (b) Each resident shall have the right to be treated with dignity and respect, including:
 - (i) The right to be treated in a courteous manner by staff.
 - (ii) The right to receive a response from the facility to any request of the resident within a reasonable time.
 - (iii) The right to be communicated with, orally and/or in writing, in a language they understand.
 - (4) Personal possessions. Each resident shall have the right to:

(a) Wear his own clothing.

- (b) Determine his own dress or hair style.
- (c) Retain and use his own personal property in his own living area so as to maintain individuality and personal dignity.
- (d) Be provided a separate storage area in his own living area and at least one (1) locked cabinet or drawer for keeping personal property.
- (5) Personal funds. Residents whose board and care is paid for by public assistance shall retain, for their personal use, the difference between their total income and the applicable board and care allowance established by department division rules.
 - (a) A facility shall not require a resident to deposit his personal funds with the facility.
 - (b) Once the facility accepts the written authorization of the resident, it must hold, safeguard, and account for such personal funds under a system established and maintained by the facility in accordance with this paragraph.
- (6) Management of personal funds. Upon a facility's acceptance of written authorization of a resident, the facility must manage and account for the personal funds of the resident deposited with the facility as follows:
 - (a) The facility must deposit any amount of a resident's personal funds in excess of five (5) times the personal needs allowance in an interest-bearing account (or accounts) that is separate from any of the facility's operating accounts and credit all interest earned on such separate account to such account. The facility must maintain any other personal funds in a noninterest-bearing account or petty cash fund.
 - (b) The facility must assure a full and complete separate accounting of each resident's personal funds, maintain a written record of all financial transactions involving each resident's personal funds deposited with the facility, and afford the resident (or a legal representative of the resident) reasonable access to such record.
 - (c) Upon the death of a resident with such an account, the facility must promptly convey the resident's personal funds (and a final accounting of such funds) to the individual administering the resident's estate. For clients of the department division, the remaining balance of funds shall be refunded to the department division.
 - (7) Access and visitation rights. Each facility must permit:
 - (a) Immediate access to any resident by any representative of the department division, by the state ombudsman for the elderly or his designees, or by the resident's individual physician.
 - (b) Immediate access to a resident, subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, by immediate family or other relatives.
 - (c) Immediate access to a resident, subject to reasonable restrictions and the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, by others who are visiting with the consent of the resident.
 - (d) Reasonable access to a resident by any entity or individual that provides health, social, legal, or other services to the resident, subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time.

(8) Employment. Each resident shall have the right to refuse to perform services for the facility except as contracted for by the resident and the administrator of the facility. If the resident is hired by the facility to perform services as an employee of the facility, the wage paid to the resident shall be consistent with state and federal law.

- (9) Confidentiality. Each resident shall have the right to confidentiality of personal and clinical records.
- (10) Freedom from abuse, neglect, and restraints. Each resident shall have the right to be free from physical, mental or sexual abuse, neglect, corporal punishment, involuntary seclusion, and any physical or chemical restraints.
- (11) Freedom of religion. Each resident shall have the right to practice the religion of his choice or to abstain from religious practice. Residents shall also be free from the imposition of the religious practices of others.
- (12) Control and receipt of health-related services. Each resident shall have the right to control his receipt of health-related services, including:
 - (a) The right to retain the services of his own personal physician, dentist and other health care professionals.
 - (b) The right to select the pharmacy or pharmacist of their choice so long as it meets the statute and rules governing residential care or assisted living and the policies and procedures of the residential care or assisted living facility.
 - (c) The right to confidentiality and privacy concerning his medical or dental condition and treatment.
 - (d) The right to refuse medical services based on informed decision—making. Refusal of treatment does not relieve the facility of its obligations under this chapter.
- (13) Grievances. Each resident shall have the right to voice grievances with respect to treatment or care that is (or fails to be) furnished, without discrimination or reprisal for voicing the grievances and the right to prompt efforts by the facility to resolve grievances the resident may have, including those with respect to the behavior of other residents.
- (14) Participation in resident and family groups. Each resident shall have the right to organize and participate in resident groups in the facility and the right of the resident's family to meet in the facility with the families of other residents in the facility.
- (15) Participation in other activities. Each resident shall have the right to participate in social, religious, and community activities that do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the facility.
- (16) Examination of survey results. Each resident shall have the right to examine, upon reasonable request, the results of the most recent survey of the facility conducted by the department division with respect to the facility and any plan of correction in effect with respect to the facility.
- (17) Access by advocates and representatives. A residential care or assisted living facility shall permit advocates and representatives of community legal services programs, whose purposes include rendering assistance without charge to residents, to have access to the facility at reasonable times in order to:

- (a) Visit, talk with, and make personal, social and legal services available to all residents.
- (b) Inform residents of their rights and entitlements, and their corresponding obligations, under state, federal and local laws by distribution of educational materials and discussion in groups and with individuals.
- (c) Assist residents in asserting their legal rights regarding claims for public assistance, medical assistance and social security benefits, and in all other matters in which residents are aggrieved, which may be provided individually, or in a group basis, and may include organizational activity, counseling and litigation.
- (d) Engage in all other methods of assisting, advising and representing residents so as to extend to them the full enjoyment of their rights.
- (e) Communicate privately and without restrictions with any resident who consents to the communication.
- (f) Observe all common areas of the facility.

- (18) Access by protection and advocacy system. A residential care or assisted living facility shall permit advocates and representatives of the protection and advocacy system designated by the governor pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 15043 and 42 U.S.C. section 10801 et seq. access to residents, facilities and records in accordance with applicable federal statutes and regulations.
- (19) Access by the long-term care ombudsman. A residential care or assisted living facility shall permit advocates and representatives of the long-term care ombudsman program pursuant to 42 U.S.C. section 3058, section 67-5009, Idaho Code, and IDAPA 15.01.03, rules of the office commission on aging, access to residents, facilities and records in accordance with applicable federal and state law, rules and regulations.
- SECTION 54. That Section 39-3321, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3321. QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS OF ADMINISTRATOR. Each residential care or assisted living facility must employ at least one (1) administrator licensed by the bureau of occupational licensing division, which is responsible for licensing residential care facility administrators for the state of Idaho. Multiple facilities under one (1) administrator may be allowed by the department division based on an approved plan of operation.
- SECTION 55. That Section 39-3326, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3326. MEDICATIONS. The medication policy governed by the policy and procedure of the facility shall include a policy permitting, under the conditions specified, a licensed nurse to fill individual dose systems such as blister pack, mediset, or other system approved by the department division. The policy shall provide for appropriate records to maintain security of medications received from a pharmacist in accordance with pharmacy standards. The licensed nurse shall appropriately label the medication with name, dosage, amount and time to be taken, and special instructions if appropriate.

SECTION 56. That Section 39-3330, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3330. <u>COMMUNITY CARE</u> ADVISORY COUNCIL. The <u>department shall</u> <u>administrator may</u> establish a state level <u>community care</u> advisory council consisting of twenty (20) members appointed by the <u>organizations and/or</u> <u>agencies represented on the council administrator</u>. The chairman of the council shall be elected from the membership. <u>The members of the council shall be determined by the bylaws of the council.</u>

SECTION 57. That Section 39-3331, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3331. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL. The residential care or assisted living community care advisory council, if established, shall have the following powers and duties:
- (1) To make policy recommendations regarding the coordination of licensing and enforcement standards <u>for and provision of services to residents</u> in <u>certified family homes</u>, residential care <u>facilities</u>, or assisted living facilities and the provision of services to residents of residential care or assisted living facilities.
- (2) To advise the $\frac{\text{division}}{\text{division}}$ during development and revision of rules.
- (3) To review and comment upon any proposed rules pertaining to residential care or assisted living.
- (4) To submit an annual \underline{a} report to the legislature stating opinions and recommendations which \underline{that} would further the state's capability in addressing $\underline{certified\ family\ home}$, residential care $\underline{facility}$, or assisted living facility issues.

SECTION 58. That Section 39-3332, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3332. MEETINGS. The <u>residential care or assisted living community care</u> advisory council shall meet as <u>necessary but not less than four (4) times a year determined by the administrator</u>. Meetings of the council, if <u>established</u>, shall be open to the public held in compliance with chapter 2, title 74, Idaho Code. The department division shall provide:
 - (1) Staff necessary to assist the council in performing its duties-;
 - (2) Space for meetings of the council-; and
 - (3) Accommodations for alternative meeting formats.

SECTION 59. That Section 39-3333, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3333. REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES. Members of the residential care and assisted living community care advisory council shall be reimbursed by the department division for their actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, not to exceed the limits set forth in the state travel quidelines.

SECTION 60. That Section 39-3340, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3340. LICENSING. (1) Any person, firm, partnership, association, governmental unit, or corporation within the state proposing to operate, establish, manage, conduct, or maintain a residential care or assisted living facility in the state shall have a license issued by the licensing agency of the department division. A license is not transferable. The owner of the license has ultimate responsibility for the operation of the facility.
- (2) Each residential care or assisted living facility in the state requires an administrator, properly licensed by the bureau of occupational licensing division, who is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the facility.
- (3) A license is not transferable from one (1) individual to another, from one (1) business entity to another, or from one (1) location to another. When a change of operator, ownership or location occurs, the facility shall be relicensed, and the operator shall follow the application procedures and obtain a license before commencing operation as a facility. When there is a significant change in an owner's share of the facility that does not alter the overall ownership or operation of the business, that change shall be communicated to the licensing agency division within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the change. When the owner contracts the operation to a facility management company, other than for temporary management, it shall be treated as a change of operator.
- SECTION 61. That Section 39-3345, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 39-3345. DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF A LICENSE. The licensing agency division may deny the issuance of a license or revoke any license when persuaded by a preponderance of evidence that such conditions exist as to endanger the health or safety of residents, or when the facility is not in substantial compliance with the provisions of this chapter or the rules promulgated pursuant to this chapter.
- SECTION 62. That Section 39-3349, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3349. RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSPECTIONS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. The licensing agency division shall inspect and provide technical assistance to residential care or assisted living facilities. The department and may provide consulting services upon request to any residential care or assisted living facility to assist in the identification or correction of deficiencies and in the upgrading of the quality of care provided by the facility.
- SECTION 63. That Section 39-3351, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3351. EXEMPTIONS. The provisions of this chapter do not apply to any of the following:

- (1) Any health facility as defined by chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code.
- (2) Any house, institution, hotel, congregate housing project, retirement home or other similar place that is limited to providing one (1) or more of the following: housing, meals, transportation, housekeeping, or recreational and social activities; or that has residents accessing supportive services from an entity approved to provide such services in Idaho and holding no legal ownership interest in the entity operating the facility.

- (3) Any arrangement for the receiving and care of persons by a relative.
- (4) Any similar facility determined by the $\frac{\text{director}}{\text{division administrator}}$

SECTION 64. That Section 39-3352, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3352. UNLICENSED RESIDENTIAL CARE OR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES. (1) No unlicensed residential care or assisted living facility shall operate in this state.
- (2) A facility shall be deemed to be an "unlicensed residential care or assisted living facility" and "maintained and operated to provide services" if it is unlicensed and not exempt from licensure, and any one (1) of the following conditions is satisfied:
 - (a) The facility is, or is held out as or represented as, providing care, supervision and services.
 - (b) The facility accepts or retains residents who demonstrate the need for care, supervision, and services, as defined in this chapter or the rules adopted pursuant to this chapter.
- (3) Upon discovery of an unlicensed residential care or assisted living facility, the <u>department division</u> shall refer residents to the appropriate placement or adult protective services agency if either of the following conditions exist:
 - (a) There is an immediate threat to the resident's health and safety.
 - (b) The facility will not cooperate with the <u>licensing agency</u> <u>division</u> to apply for a license, meet licensing standards, and obtain a valid license.
- (4) A person found to be operating a residential care or assisted living facility without a license shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed six (6) months, or by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000).
- (5) In the event the county attorney in the county where the alleged violation occurred fails or refuses to act within thirty (30) days of notification of the violation, the attorney general is authorized to prosecute violations under the provisions of this section.

SECTION 65. That Section 39-3354, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3354. WAIVER OR VARIANCE. The board division administrator shall provide by rule a procedure whereby a temporary variance or a permanent waiver of a specific standard may be granted in the event that good cause is shown for such a variance or waiver and providing that a variance or waiver of a standard does not endanger the health and safety of any resident. The

decision to grant a variance or waiver shall not be considered as precedent or be given any force or effect in any other proceeding.

 SECTION 66. That Section 39-3354A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3354A. SPECIAL WAIVER PERMITTED. The department division may grant a special waiver of the requirement for licensure as a residential care or assisted living facility when it is deemed in the best interests of individuals and with due consideration of the following criteria:
- (1) The individuals are residents of a facility operated by a nonprofit health care and/or housing organization established as such in the state of Idaho and satisfying the requirements of U.S. Internal Revenue Code section 501(c) as a nonprofit;
- (2) The support services required by the individuals are furnished by an entity approved to provide such services in the state of Idaho in good standing as demonstrated by routine inspections required for the type of entity providing services;
- (3) Facilities seeking such waivers and providing meal service shall be inspected and licensed as a food service establishment by the district health department unless the meal service is provided by a kitchen already part of a facility licensed by the department division;
- (4) The costs of obtaining the needed services from another source are significantly greater and/or would pose a significant hardship on these individuals.

Any waiver granted under this section shall be reviewed annually and is subject to inspection by the $\frac{department}{division}$ to ensure safety and sanitation.

SECTION 67. That Section 39-3355, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3355. INSPECTIONS. (1) The <u>licensing agency</u> <u>division</u> shall cause to be made such inspections and investigations to determine compliance with this chapter and applicable rules.
- (2) Inspections for such purposes will be made unannounced and without prior notice at the discretion of the $\frac{\text{department}}{\text{division}}$ and at intervals determined by the $\frac{\text{licensing agency}}{\text{division}}$.
- (3) An inspector shall have full access and authority to examine, among other things, quality of care and service delivery, a facility's records, resident accounts, physical premises, including buildings, grounds and equipment, and any other areas necessary to determine compliance with this chapter and applicable rules.
- (4) An inspector shall have authority to interview the licensee, administrator, staff and residents. Interviews with residents shall be confidential and conducted privately unless otherwise specified by the resident.
- (5) The <u>licensing agency</u> <u>division</u> shall notify the facility, in writing, of all deficiencies and shall approve a reasonable length of time for compliance by the facility.

(6) Current lists of deficiencies, including plans of correction, shall be available to the public upon request in the individual facilities or by written request to the department division.

- (7) The <u>department division</u> shall accept an accreditation survey from an accreditation commission for a residential care or assisted living facility instead of regular compliance inspections conducted under the authority of this section if all of the following conditions are met:
 - (a) The accreditation commission's standards meet or exceed the state requirements for licensure for residential care or assisted living facilities;
 - (b) The facility submits to the <u>department division</u> a copy of its required accreditation reports to the accreditation commission in addition to the application and any other information required for renewal of a license;
 - (c) The inspection results are available for public inspection to the same extent that the results of an investigation or inspection conducted under this section are available for public inspection;
 - (d) The accreditation commission complies with the health insurance portability and accountability act and takes reasonable precautions to protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information concerning the residents of the facility; and
 - (e) If the facility's accreditation report is not valid for the entire licensure period, the <u>department division</u> may conduct a compliance inspection of the facility during the time period for which the <u>department division</u> does not have a valid accreditation report.
- (8) The department division shall not conduct an onsite compliance inspection of the residential care or assisted living facility during the time the accreditation report is valid except for complaint surveys, reportable incidents, or in cases of emergencies. Accreditation does not limit the department division in performing any power or duty under this chapter or inspection authorized under this section, including taking appropriate action relating to a residential care or assisted living facility, such as suspending or revoking a license, investigating an allegation of abuse, exploitation, or neglect or another complaint, or assessing an administrative penalty.

SECTION 68. That Section 39-3357, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3357. ENFORCEMENT PROCESS. (1) If the <u>licensing agency division</u> finds, on the basis of inspections as defined in this chapter or otherwise, that a residential or assisted living facility no longer meets a requirement of this chapter, and further finds that the facility's deficiencies:
 - (a) Immediately jeopardize the health or safety of its residents, the department division shall take immediate action to remove the jeopardy and correct the deficiencies through the remedy specified in section 39-3358(1)(c), Idaho Code, or prohibit the facility from keeping or admitting residents and may provide, in addition, for one (1) or more of the other remedies described in section 39-3358, Idaho Code.

- (b) Do not immediately jeopardize the health or safety of its residents, the $\frac{\text{department}}{\text{division}}$ shall provide for one (1) or more of the remedies described in section 39-3358, Idaho Code.
- (2) Nothing in this section shall be construed as restricting the remedies available to the department division to remedy a facility's deficiencies. If the department division finds that a facility meets the requirements of this chapter, but, as of a previous period, intentionally did not meet such requirements, the department division may provide for a civil money penalty under section 39-3358(1)(b), Idaho Code, for the days in which it finds that the facility was not in compliance with such requirements.
- (3) Residential care or assisted living facilities may be cited only for a violation of a requirement that is specified in an applicable law or in a rule promulgated in compliance with an applicable law. Facilities may not be cited for an act that is not expressly proscribed by an applicable law or rule or for an omission when an applicable law or rule does not expressly require the conduct omitted. If the department division requires a specific corrective action in relation to a citation, that requirement must be in writing and reference the corresponding rule.

SECTION 69. That Section 39-3358, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3358. SPECIFIED REMEDIES. (1) The <u>department</u> <u>division</u> shall establish at least the following remedies:

- (a) Prohibit the facility from admitting residents or prohibit a facility from keeping or admitting residents with a specific diagnosis.
- (b) A civil money penalty assessed and collected, with interest, for each day the facility is or was out of compliance with a requirement of this chapter. Funds collected by the department division as a result of imposition of such a penalty shall be applied to the protection of the health or property of residents of residential or assisted living facilities that the department division finds deficient, including payment for the costs of relocation of residents to other facilities, maintenance of operation of a facility pending correction of deficiencies or closure, and reimbursement of residents for personal funds lost.
- (c) The appointment of temporary management to oversee the operation of the facility and to assure the health and safety of the facility's residents, where there is a need for temporary management while:
 - (i) There is an orderly closure of the facility.
 - (ii) Improvements are made in order to bring the facility into compliance with all the requirements of this chapter.
 - (iii) The temporary management under this clause shall not be terminated until the <u>department division</u> has determined that the facility has the management capability to ensure continued compliance with all the requirements of this chapter.
- (d) The authority, in the case of an emergency, to summarily suspend the license, to close the facility, and/or to transfer residents in that facility to other facilities.
- (2) The $\frac{\text{department}}{\text{division}}$ shall also specify criteria as to when and how each of such remedies is to be applied, the amounts of any fines, and the severity of each of these remedies, to be used in the imposition of such reme-

dies. Such criteria shall be designed so as to minimize the time between the identification of violations and final imposition of the remedies and shall provide for the imposition of incrementally more severe fines for repeated or uncorrected deficiencies.

 SECTION 70. That Section 39-3501, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3501. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND DECLARATION. The purpose of a certified family home in Idaho is to provide a homelike alternative designed to allow individuals to remain in a more normal family-styled living environment, usually within their own community. Certified family homes provide a home to individuals who are elderly, individuals with a mental illness, developmental disabilities, physical disabilities or to those unable to live alone, and whose mental, emotional and physical condition can be met by the care provider to delay the need for more expensive congregate care or other institutional care. The home must obtain a waiver under section 39-1301A, Idaho Code, to care for two (2) persons requiring care described in section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code.

It is the intent of the legislature that certified family homes be available to meet the needs of those residing in these homes while providing a more homelike environment focused on integrated community living rather than other more restrictive environments and by recognizing the capabilities of individuals to direct their own care.

The certified family home shall be operated by a provider who has demonstrated the knowledge and experience required to provide safe and appropriate services to each resident of the certified family home. The provider shall protect each resident's rights and provide appropriate services to meet each resident's needs. For those residents whose care is not paid with public funds, the certified family home shall conduct an objective, individualized assessment to determine resident needs, develop a comprehensive negotiated plan of service to meet those needs, deliver appropriate services to meet resident needs and ensure resident rights are honored.

The department division of occupational and professional licenses is responsible for monitoring and enforcing the provisions of this chapter. This responsibility includes, but is not limited to: monitoring the condition of the certified family home, ensuring that each resident has an individualized written plan of care that includes activities of daily living and support services, and managing enforcement procedures when violations occur.

SECTION 71. That Section 39-3502, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3502. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Abuse" means a nonaccidental act of sexual, physical or mental mistreatment or injury of a resident through the action or inaction of another individual.
- (2) "Activities of daily living" means the performance of basic self-care activities in meeting an individual's needs to sustain him in a daily living environment.

- (3) "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- $\underline{\text{(4)}}$ "Adult" means a person who has attained the age of eighteen (18) years.
- (45) "Advocate" means an authorized or designated representative of a program or organization operating under federal or state mandate to represent the interests of a population group served by the certified family home.
- (56) "Assessment" means the conclusion reached using uniform criteria which identifies resident strengths, weaknesses, risks and needs, to include functional, medical and behavioral. The assessment criteria shall be developed by the department division of occupational and professional licenses and the community care advisory council, if such council is established pursuant to chapter 33, title 39, Idaho Code.
 - (6) "Board" means the board of health and welfare.

- (7) "Care provider" means the adult member of the home family responsible for maintaining the certified family home. The care provider and the legal owner may not necessarily be the same person. The care provider must live in the home.
- (8) "Certified family home" means a family-styled living environment in which two (2) or fewer adults live who are not able to reside in their own home and who require care, help in daily living, protection and security, supervision, personal assistance and encouragement toward independence.
- (9) "Certifying agent" means a person acting under the authority of the department division of occupational and professional licenses to participate in the certification, inspection, and regulation of a family home.
- (10) "Chemical restraint" means any drug that is used for discipline or convenience and not required to treat medical symptoms.
- (11) "Client" means any person who receives financial aid and/or services from an organized program of the $\frac{\text{department}}{\text{division of occupational}}$ and professional licenses.
- (12) "Core issues" means abuse, neglect, exploitation, inadequate care, inoperable fire detection or extinguishing systems with no fire watch in place pending the correction of the system, and situations in which advocates, representatives, and department division certification staff are denied access to records, residents or the certified family home.
- (13) "Department" means the Idaho department of health and welfare. "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (14) "Director" means the director of the Idaho department of health and welfare.
- (15) "Exploitation" means the misuse of a vulnerable adult's funds, property or resources by another person for profit or advantage.
- (165) "Governmental unit" means the state, any county, any city, other political subdivision, or any department, division, board or other agency thereof.
- $(17\underline{6})$ "Home family" means all individuals related by blood, marriage or adoption, other than residents residing in the certified family home.
- (187) "Inadequate care" occurs when a certified family home fails to provide the services required to meet the terms of the negotiated plan of service or provide for room, board, activities of daily living, supervision, first aid, assistance and monitoring of medications, emergency interven-

tion, coordination of outside services or a safe living environment; or engages in violations of residents' rights or takes residents who have been admitted in violation of the provisions of section 39-3507, Idaho Code.

- (198) "Medical foster home" means a private home approved by the department of veterans affairs in which a caregiver provides long-term primary health care to veteran residents with serious chronic disease and disability, as described in 38 CFR part 17.
- (2019) "Neglect" means failure to provide food, clothing, shelter, or medical care necessary to sustain life and health of a resident.
- (2 ± 0) "Negotiated service agreement" means the agreement reached by the resident or their representative, if applicable, and the facility, based on the assessment, physician's orders if any, admission records if any, and desires of the resident and which outlines services to be provided and the obligations of the certified family home and the resident.
- $(22\underline{1})$ "Personal assistance" means the provision by the certified family home of one (1) or more of the following services:
 - (a) Assisting the resident with activities of daily living.
 - (b) Arranging for supportive services.

- (c) Being aware of the resident's general whereabouts.
- (d) Monitoring the activities of the resident while on the premises of the facility to ensure the resident's health, safety and well-being.
- (232) "Political subdivision" means a city or county.
- $(24\overline{3})$ "Representative of the department division" means an employee of the department division.
- (254) "Resident" means an adult who lives in a certified family home and who requires personal assistance or supervision.
 - (265) "Room and board" means lodging and meals.
- $(2\overline{+6})$ "Substantial compliance" means a certified family home has no core issue deficiencies.
- (287) "Substitute caregiver" means an adult designated by the certified family home provider to provide care and services in a certified family home in the temporary absence of the regular care provider.
- (298) "Supervision" means administrative activity which provides the following: protection, guidance, knowledge of the resident's whereabouts and monitoring activities. The care provider is responsible for providing appropriate supervision based on each resident's negotiated service agreement.
- (3029) "Supportive services" means the specific services that are provided to the resident in the community and that are required by the negotiated service agreement or reasonably requested by the resident.
- SECTION 72. That Section 39-3504, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3504. PHYSICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS. Standards shall be developed through the regulatory process by the $\frac{\text{department division}}{\text{division}}$ to assure a safe, sanitary, and comfortable environment for residents of certified family homes.
- SECTION 73. That Section 39-3505, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3505. RULES. The <u>board</u> <u>administrator</u> shall have the power and it shall be its duty to promulgate appropriate rules necessary to implement and enforce the standards for certified family homes pursuant to this act including, but not limited to, the following:
- A home shall be certified for no more than two (2) adults, however, upon an application by the owner and upon a finding by the department division that residents can be cared for safely and appropriately based on the residents' specific needs, the department division may authorize not more than four (4) adults to be placed in a certified family home which is owner-occupied and which applies to the department division for the authorization. Certification as a four (4) resident certified family home shall not be transferable to another person or entity. Four (4) resident certified family homes shall be subject to all statutes and rules governing certified family homes but shall not be subject to the residential care facility administrator licensing requirements of chapter 42, title 54, Idaho Code, or section 39-3340, Idaho Code, licensing of residential care or assisted living facilities for individuals with mental illness, developmental disabilities or physical disabilities. This provision implementing four (4) resident certified family homes shall be effective on July 1, 2001. The department division shall promulgate rules for four (4) resident certified family homes through the negotiated rulemaking process. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize increased group size for providers of any form of care other than certified family homes.
- (2) A care provider is the adult who has applied to be the care provider and who is responsible for client care and following the laws and rules of the certified family home program.
- (3) A home cannot be approved as certified for family home care if it also provides room and board for other persons. A waiver may be granted by the department division where a married couple wishes to live together in the same certified family home and one (1) member of the couple does not require certified family home care.
- (4) A home cannot be approved as a certified family home and for child foster care at the same time, unless a waiver is granted by the department division.
- (5) The care provider must have sufficient resources to maintain the home and the services offered.
- (6) Information obtained by the care provider shall be held confidential except to representatives of the department division to provide services or determine compliance with this chapter or upon consent of the individual or his legal quardian.
- (7) Recordkeeping and reporting requirements as may be deemed necessary.
- (8) Requirements to assure the safety and adequate care of residents to include the recording of incidents and accidents.
 - (9) Management of medications.

- (10) Inspections. The certifying agency may inspect and investigate certified family homes as necessary to determine compliance with this chapter and the department's division's rules.
 - (11) Revocation of certification or other enforcement actions.

SECTION 74. That Section 39-3508, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3508. ASSESSMENT. The department division shall employ uniform assessment criteria to assess functional and cognitive disability. The conclusions shall be deemed the assessment and shall be used to provide appropriate placement and funding for service needs.

SECTION 75. That Section 39-3511, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 76. That Section 39-3513, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3513. TRAINING. The <u>department division</u> shall assure that care providers receive, at a minimum, training which shall include the rights of the resident, and a basic understanding of the psychosocial and physical needs of residents to be served. The <u>department division</u> will require annual continuing education requirements for care providers as defined by rules promulgated pursuant to this chapter.

SECTION 77. That Section 39-3516, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3516. RESIDENT RIGHTS. A certified family home must protect and promote the rights of each resident, including each of the following rights:
- (1) Resident records. Each certified family home must maintain and keep current a record of the following information on each resident:
 - (a) A copy of the resident's current negotiated plan of service and physician's history and physical that includes current medications and special treatments.
 - (b) Written acknowledgement that the resident has received copies of the rights.
 - (c) A record of all personal property and funds which the resident has entrusted to the certified family home, including copies of receipts for the property.
 - (d) Information about any specific health problems of the resident which may be useful in a medical emergency.
 - (e) The name, address and telephone number of an individual identified by the resident who should be contacted in the event of an emergency or death of the resident.
 - (f) Any other health-related, emergency or pertinent information which the resident requests the certified family home to keep on record.
 - (g) The current admission agreement between the resident and the certified family home.
- (2) Privacy. Each resident must be assured the right to privacy with regard to accommodations, medical and other treatment, written and telephone communications, visits, and meetings of family and resident groups.
 - (3) Humane care and environment (dignity and respect).
 - (a) Each resident shall have the right to humane care and a humane environment, including the following:

- (i) The right to a diet which is consistent with any religious or health-related restrictions.
- (ii) The right to refuse a restricted diet.
- (iii) The right to a safe and sanitary living environment.
- (b) Each resident shall have the right to be treated with dignity and respect, including:
 - (i) The right to be treated in a courteous manner by staff.
 - (ii) The right to receive a response from the certified family home to any request of the resident within a reasonable time.
- (4) Personal possessions. Each resident shall have the right to:
- (a) Wear his own clothing.

- (b) Determine his own dress or hair style.
- (c) Retain and use his own personal property in his own living area so as to maintain individuality and personal dignity.
- (d) Be provided a separate storage area in his own living area and at least one (1) lockable cabinet or drawer for keeping personal property if requested by the resident.
- (5) Personal funds. Residents whose board and care is paid for by public assistance shall retain, for their personal use, the difference between their total income and the applicable board and care allowance established by $\frac{department}{division}$ rules.
 - (a) A certified family home shall not require a resident to deposit his personal funds with the certified family home.
 - (b) Once the certified family home accepts the written authorization of the resident, the certified family home must hold, safeguard and account for such personal funds under a system established and maintained by the certified family home in accordance with this subparagraph.
- (6) Management of personal funds. Upon a certified family home's acceptance of written authorization of a resident, the certified family home must manage and account for the personal funds of the resident deposited with the certified family home. Upon the death of a resident with such an account, the certified family home must promptly convey the resident's personal funds, and a final accounting of such funds, to the individual administering the resident's estate. For clients of the department division, the remaining balance of funds shall be refunded to the department division.
- (7) Access and visitation rights. Each certified family home must permit:
 - (a) Immediate access to any resident by any representative of the department division, by the state ombudsman for the elderly or his designee, or by the resident's individual physician.
 - (b) Immediate access to a resident, subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, by immediate family or other relatives.
 - (c) Immediate access to a resident, subject to reasonable restrictions and the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time, by others who are visiting with the consent of the resident.
 - (d) Reasonable access to a resident by any entity or individual that provides health, social, legal or other services to the resident, subject to the resident's right to deny or withdraw consent at any time.

- (e) Access by protection and advocacy system. The certified family home shall permit advocates and representatives of the protection and advocacy system designated by the governor pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 15043 and 42 U.S.C. 10801 et seq. access to residents, certified family homes and records in accordance with applicable federal law and regulations.
- (8) Employment. Each resident shall have the right to refuse to perform services for the certified family home except as contracted for by the resident and the care provider of the home. If the resident is hired by the certified family home to perform services as an employee of the home, the wage paid to the resident shall be consistent with state and federal law.
- (9) Confidentiality. Each resident shall have the right to confidentiality of personal and clinical records.
- (10) Freedom from abuse, neglect and restraints. Each resident shall have the right to be free from physical, mental or sexual abuse, neglect, corporal punishment, involuntary seclusion, and any physical or chemical restraints.
- (11) Freedom of religion. Each resident shall have the right to practice the religion of his choice or to abstain from religious practice. Residents shall also be free from the imposition of the religious practices of others.
- (12) Control and receipt of health-related services. Each resident shall have the right to control his receipt of health-related services, including:
 - (a) The right to retain the services of his own personal physician, dentist and other health care professionals.
 - (b) The right to select the pharmacy or pharmacist of his choice.
 - (c) The right to confidentiality and privacy concerning his medical or dental condition and treatment.
- (13) Grievances. Each resident shall have the right to voice grievances with respect to treatment or care that is (or fails to be) furnished, without discrimination or reprisal for voicing the grievances and the right to prompt efforts by the certified family home to resolve grievances the resident may have, including those with respect to the behavior of other residents.
- (14) Participation in other activities. Each resident shall have the right to participate in social, religious and community activities that do not interfere with the rights of other residents in the certified family home.
- (15) Examination of home inspection reports. Each resident shall have the right to examine, upon reasonable request, the results of the most recent home inspection of the certified family home conducted by the department division with respect to the certified family home and any plan of correction in effect with respect to the certified family home.
- SECTION 78. That Section 39-3520, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-3520. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION. An application for certification shall be made to regional offices of the department the division upon forms provided by the department division and shall contain such information as the department division reasonably requires, which will include a back-

ground check and fingerprinting through the <u>department division</u>. Following receipt of an application, the <u>department division</u> shall conduct a study, including a visit to the home, to determine the capability of the provider to provide care as a certified family home.

SECTION 79. That Section 39-3521, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3521. ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATION. Each certificate shall be issued only for the home and provider named in the application and shall not be transferable or assignable. Each certified family home is required to renew its certification annually. The application for renewal shall be filed with the regional office of the department division within thirty (30) days prior to the date of expiration. The existing certificate, unless suspended or revoked, shall remain in force and effect until the department division has acted upon the application renewal when such application for renewal is timely filed.

SECTION 80. That Section 39-3522, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3522. PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATION. Upon initial investigation, should an applicant for a certificate be unable to meet a standard because of conditions that are unlikely to endure beyond six (6) months, the department division may grant a provisional certificate pending the satisfactory correction of all deficiencies and provided that the deficiencies do not jeopardize the health and safety of residents. No more than one (1) provisional certificate shall be issued to the same certified family home in any twelve (12) month period.

SECTION 81. That Section 39-3523, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3523. DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF A CERTIFICATE. The department division may deny the issuance of a certificate or revoke any certificate when persuaded by a preponderance of evidence that such conditions exist as to endanger the health or safety of any resident, or when the home is not in substantial compliance with the provisions of this chapter or rules promulgated pursuant to this chapter.

SECTION 82. That Section 39-3524, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3524. PROCEDURE FOR DENIAL OR REVOCATION OF A CERTIFICATE. Immediately upon the denial of any application for a certificate, or the revocation of a certificate, the <u>department division</u> shall notify the applicant in writing. The proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the Idaho administrative procedure act and <u>the department's</u> division rules.

SECTION 83. That Section 39-3525, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3525. EFFECT OF PREVIOUS REVOCATION OR DENIAL OF A CERTIFICATE. The department division is not required to review the application of an applicant who has had a certificate denied or revoked until five (5) years have elapsed from the date of certificate denial, revocation, or appeals.

SECTION 84. That Section 39-3526, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3526. RULES PROVIDED. Upon initial certification, certified family homes shall be provided a printed copy of all applicable statutes and rules by the department division, without charge.

SECTION 85. That Section 39-3527, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3527. RESPONSIBILITY FOR INSPECTIONS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. The certifying agency shall inspect and provide technical assistance to certified family homes. The <u>department division</u> may provide consulting services upon request to any certified family home to assist in the identification and correction of deficiencies and in the upgrading of the quality of care provided by the certified family home.

SECTION 86. That Section 39-3554, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3554. WAIVER OR VARIANCE. The <u>board</u> <u>administrator</u> shall provide, by rule, a procedure whereby a temporary variance or a permanent waiver of a specific standard may be granted in the event that good cause is shown for such a variance or waiver and providing that a variance or waiver of a standard does not endanger the health and safety of any resident. The decision to grant a variance or waiver shall not be considered as precedent or be given any force of effect in any other proceeding.

SECTION 87. That Section 39-4602, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-4602. PURPOSE. It is declared to be the policy of the legislature of the state of Idaho to authorize and mandate the department of health and welfare to develop and coordinate services for developmentally disabled persons through adult and child development programs and through contracts with rehabilitation facilities. The complexities of developmental disabilities require the services of many state departments as well as those of the community. It is the intent of this chapter that the department of health and welfare will cooperate with recognized agencies, divisions, organizations, and departments in implementing this chapter. Services should be planned and provided as a part of a continuum. A pattern of facilities, services and eligibility should be established which is sufficiently complete to meet the needs of each developmentally disabled person regardless of age or degree of disability, with consideration of the family.

SECTION 88. That Section 39-4605, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-4605. DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT. The department shall provide appropriate services of habilitation and rehabilitation to the eligible population of developmentally disabled, and shall consult with the state council on developmental disabilities. The department shall be the primary agency responsible for the services set forth herein, and shall:
- (1) Develop and prepare an annual plan for the initiation and maintenance of developmental disabilities services authorized in this chapter. Such services shall include, but not be limited to community comprehensive developmental disability services;
- (2) Initiate and provide services which shall include, but not be limited to, community comprehensive developmental disabilities services;
- (3) In order to provide services, enter into agreements with any person or persons, corporation or association, approved by the department, for the contracting of all or a portion of the costs of the care, treatment, maintenance, support and training of developmentally disabled persons; and
- (4) Provide technical assistance for state and local personnel working in the field of developmental disabilities under this chapter.

Any person, corporation or association may make application to the department for approval and certification of the applicant's developmental disabilities facility. The department may either grant or deny certification or revoke certification previously granted after investigation of the applicant's facilities, to ascertain whether or not such facilities are adequate for the health, safety and the care, treatment, maintenance, training and support of developmentally disabled persons, in accordance with standards as set forth in rules and regulations promulgated by the board of health and welfare and consistent with existing national accreditation bodies.

SECTION 89. That Chapter 46, Title 39, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$, to be known and designated as Section 39-4605A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

39-4605A. DUTIES OF THE DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSES. Any person, corporation, or association may make application to the division of occupational and professional licenses for approval and certification of the applicant's developmental disabilities facility. The division may either grant or deny certification or revoke certification previously granted after investigation of the applicant's facilities, to ascertain whether or not such facilities are adequate for the health, safety, care, treatment, maintenance, training, and support of developmentally disabled persons, in accordance with standards as set forth in rules promulgated by the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses and consistent with existing national accreditation bodies.

SECTION 90. That Section 39-5302, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-5302. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this chapter:

(1) "Abuse" means the intentional or negligent infliction of physical pain, injury or mental injury.

- (2) "Administrator" means the administrator of the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (3) "Caretaker" means any individual or institution that is responsible by relationship, contract, or court order to provide food, shelter or clothing, or medical or other life-sustaining necessities to a vulnerable adult.
- (34) "Commission" means the Idaho commission on aging, established pursuant to chapter 50, title 67, Idaho Code.
 - (4) "Department" means the Idaho department of health and welfare.
- $\underline{\text{(5)}}$ "Division" means the division of occupational and professional licenses.
- (56) "Emergency" means an exigent circumstance in which a vulnerable adult's health and safety is placed in imminent danger. Imminent danger is when death or severe bodily injury could reasonably be expected to occur without intervention.
- $(\underline{67})$ "Exploitation" means an action that may include, but is not limited to, the unjust or improper use of a vulnerable adult's financial power of attorney, funds, property, or resources by another person for profit or advantage.
- (78) "Neglect" means failure of a caretaker to provide food, clothing, shelter or medical care reasonably necessary to sustain the life and health of a vulnerable adult, or the failure of a vulnerable adult to provide those services for himself.
- $(\frac{89}{2})$ "Provider" means an area agency on aging or a person or an entity capable of providing adult protective services, including duly authorized agents and employees.
- $(9\underline{10})$ "Supportive services" means noninvestigatory remedial, social, legal, health, educational, mental health and referral services provided to a vulnerable adult.
- $(10\underline{1})$ "Vulnerable adult" means a person eighteen (18) years of age or older who is unable to protect himself from abuse, neglect or exploitation due to physical or mental impairment that affects the person's judgment or behavior to the extent that he lacks sufficient understanding or capacity to make or communicate or implement decisions regarding his person.

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to mean a person is abused, neglected, or exploited for the sole reason he is relying upon treatment by spiritual means through prayer alone in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination; nor shall the provisions of this chapter be construed to require any medical care or treatment in contravention of the stated or implied objection of such a person.

SECTION 91. That Section 39-5303, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-5303. DUTY TO REPORT CASES OF ABUSE, NEGLECT OR EXPLOITATION OF VULNERABLE ADULTS. (1) Any physician, nurse, employee of a public or private health facility, or a state-licensed or certified residential facility serving vulnerable adults, medical examiner, dentist, osteopath, optometrist, chiropractor, podiatrist, social worker, police officer,

pharmacist, physical therapist, or home care worker who has reasonable cause to believe that a vulnerable adult is being or has been abused, neglected or exploited shall immediately report such information to the commission. Provided however, that nursing facilities defined in section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code, and employees of such facilities shall make reports required under this chapter to the department division. When there is reasonable cause to believe that abuse or sexual assault has resulted in death or serious physical injury jeopardizing the life, health or safety of a vulnerable adult, any person required to report under this section shall also report such information within four (4) hours to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

- (2) Failure to report as provided under this section is a misdemeanor subject to punishment as provided in section 18-113, Idaho Code. If an employee at a state licensed or certified residential facility fails to report abuse or sexual assault that has resulted in death or serious physical injury jeopardizing the life, health, or safety of a vulnerable adult as provided under this section, the department division shall also have the authority to:
 - (a) Revoke the facility's license and/or contract with the state to provide services;
 - (b) Deny payment;

- (c) Assess and collect a civil monetary penalty with interest from the facility owner and/or facility administrator;
- (d) Appoint temporary management;
- (e) Close the facility and/or transfer residents to another certified facility;
- (f) Direct a plan of correction;
- (g) Ban admission of persons with certain diagnoses or requiring specialized care;
- (h) Ban all admissions to the facility;
- (i) Assign monitors to the facility; or
- (j) Reduce the licensed bed capacity.

Any action taken by the <u>department</u> <u>division</u> pursuant to this subsection shall be appealable as provided in chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code.

- (3) Any person, including any officer or employee of a financial institution, who has reasonable cause to believe that a vulnerable adult is being abused, neglected or exploited may report such information to the commission or its providers.
- (4) The commission and its providers shall make training available to officers and employees of financial institutions in identifying and reporting instances of abuse, neglect or exploitation involving vulnerable adults.
- (5) Any person who makes any report pursuant to this chapter, or who testifies in any administrative or judicial proceeding arising from such report, or who is authorized to provide supportive or emergency services pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability on account of such report, testimony or services provided in good faith, except that such immunity shall not extend to perjury, reports made in bad faith or with malicious purpose nor, in the case of provision of services, in the presence of gross negligence under the existing circumstances.

(6) Any person who makes a report or allegation in bad faith, with malice or knowing it to be false, shall be liable to the party against whom the report was made for the amount of actual damages sustained or statutory damages in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500), whichever is greater, plus attorney's fees and costs of suit. If the court finds that the defendant acted with malice or oppression, the court may award treble actual damages or treble statutory damages, whichever is greater.

- SECTION 92. That Section 39-5303A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-5303A. EXEMPTION FROM DUTY TO REPORT -- LIMITED APPLICATION OF EXEMPTION. (1) The requirements set forth in section 39-5303, Idaho Code, pertaining to the reporting of instances of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult to the commission or the department division shall not apply to situations involving resident-to-resident contact within public or private health facilities or state-licensed or state-certified facilities which that serve vulnerable adults, except in those cases involving sex abuse, death or serious physical injury that jeopardizes the life, health or safety of a vulnerable adult or repeated resident-to-resident physical or verbal altercations, not resulting in observable physical or mental injury, but constituting an ongoing pattern of resident behavior that a facility's staff are unable to remedy through reasonable efforts.
- (2) This exemption applies only to reports involving resident-to-resident abuse that are to be directed to the commission or the department division pursuant to section 39-5303, Idaho Code. This exemption shall not limit any other reporting obligation or requirement whether statutory or otherwise.
- SECTION 93. That Section 39-5304, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 39-5304. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, INVESTIGATION, EMERGENCY ACCESS. (1) When a report is required pursuant to this chapter, such report shall be made immediately to the commission or appropriate provider. Provided however, that nursing facilities defined in section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code, and employees of such facilities shall make reports required under this chapter to the department division. If known, the report shall contain the name and address of the vulnerable adult; the caretaker; the alleged perpetrator; the nature and extent of suspected abuse, neglect or exploitation; and any other information that will be of assistance in the investigation.
- (2) If the allegations in the report indicate that an emergency exists, the commission or provider must initiate an investigation immediately and initiate contact with the alleged vulnerable adult within twenty-four (24) hours from the time the report is received. All other investigations must be initiated within seventy-two (72) hours from the time the report is received.
- (3) The investigation shall include a determination of the nature, extent and cause of the abuse, neglect, or exploitation, examination of evidence and consultation with persons thought to have knowledge of the circum-

stances, and identification, if possible, of the person alleged to be responsible for the abuse, neglect or exploitation of the vulnerable adult.

- (4) Where no emergency exists, the commission or provider may determine, based on the review of the report and any initial inquiries, that an interview with the vulnerable adult is not necessary to the investigation. If the commission or provider determines that an interview is necessary, the preferred method of interviewing is by means of a personal visit with the vulnerable adult in the adult's dwelling. Alternatively, the interview may occur in the local office of the commission or provider, or by telephone conversation, or by any other means available to the commission or provider. Decisions regarding the method of conducting any interview will be within the discretion of the commission or provider.
- (5) Upon completion of an investigation, the commission or provider shall prepare a written report of the investigation. The name of the person making the original report or any person mentioned in the report shall not be disclosed unless those persons specifically request such disclosure or unless the disclosure is made pursuant to the commission's duty to notify law enforcement as required in section 39-5310, Idaho Code, to a request to law enforcement for emergency access, a court order or hearing.

If the abuse, neglect, or exploitation is substantiated to have occurred in a state-certified or $\underline{\text{state-}}$ licensed facility, a copy of the findings shall be sent to the $\underline{\text{licensing and certification office of the department}}$ division.

If the commission or provider determines that a report is unsubstantiated and that no other law has been violated, all records related to the report shall be expunged no later than three (3) years following the completion of the investigation.

SECTION 94. That Section 39-5308, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-5308. INTERAGENCY COOPERATION. (1) In performing the duties set forth in this chapter, the commission or provider may request the assistance of the staffs and resources of all appropriate state departments, agencies, divisions, and commissions, and local health directors, and may utilize any other public or private agencies, groups, or individuals who are appropriate and who may be available. Interagency cooperation shall include the involvement, when appropriate, of law enforcement personnel, department division personnel, medical personnel, and any other person or entity deemed necessary due to their specialized training in providing services to vulnerable adults. Interagency cooperation may also include access to client information necessary for the provision of services to vulnerable adults.
- (2) The commission shall provide to the <u>department division</u> on at least a quarterly basis a listing of all alleged perpetrators against whom an allegation of adult abuse, neglect or exploitation has been substantiated. Upon request, all available supportive information shall be provided to enable the department to conduct criminal background checks and other required investigations.
- (3) The <u>department division</u> shall provide to the commission or provider any report received under this chapter from a nursing facility defined in section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code, or an employee of such facility.

(4) The commission or provider shall provide the department division with any report received under this chapter involving allegations of abuse, neglect or exploitation occurring in a nursing facility as defined in section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code.

(5) The commission, providers, and the department division shall use interagency staffing when necessary and share client and facility information necessary to provide services to vulnerable adults.

SECTION 95. That Section 39-5309, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-5309. COORDINATION OF SERVICES. Subsequent to the authorization for the provision of reasonable and necessary emergency and support services, the commission or provider shall initiate a review of each case at reasonable intervals over a reasonable period of time as the commission or provider deems necessary based upon the circumstances in each individual case to determine whether continuation or modification of the services provided is warranted. A decision to continue the provision of such services should be made in concert with appropriate personnel from state agencies, divisions, departments, service providers and others, and shall comply with the consent provisions of this chapter.

SECTION 96. That Section 67-5009, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-5009. OFFICE OF OMBUDSMAN FOR THE ELDERLY. The office of ombudsman for the elderly is hereby created within the commission. The ombudsman shall be able to independently make determinations and establish positions of the office without necessarily representing the determinations or positions of the commission. The ombudsman shall be responsible for receiving, investigating and resolving or closing complaints made by or on behalf of residents of long-term care facilities or persons aged sixty (60) years or older living in the community. No representative of the office shall be liable for the good faith performance of official duties, and willful interference with representatives of the office is unlawful. Long-term care facilities are prohibited from interference, reprisals or retaliation against a resident, employee or other person filing a complaint with, or furnishing information to, the office.

For the purposes of implementing the provisions of this section, the commission is hereby authorized as follows:

The administrator shall hire the state ombudsman for the elderly who shall be a person with the necessary educational background commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the office of ombudsman and shall be a classified employee subject to the provisions of chapter 53, title 67, Idaho Code.

The ombudsman may delegate to designated local ombudsmen any duties deemed necessary to carry out the purposes of the provisions of this section.

The ombudsman shall establish procedures for receiving and processing complaints, conducting investigations and reporting his findings. He shall have jurisdiction to investigate administrative acts or omissions of long-term care facilities or state or county departments or agencies providing

services to older people. An administrative act of a long-term care facility or state or county department or agency may become an appropriate subject for the ombudsman to investigate under certain circumstances. For example, the ombudsman may investigate such an act if it might be contrary to law, unreasonable, unfair, oppressive, capricious or discriminatory. The ombudsman may make a finding for an appropriate resolution to the subject matter of the investigation.

The ombudsman shall investigate any complaint that he determines to be an appropriate subject for investigation under this section and will work to resolve the complaint to the satisfaction of the resident or the resident's representative.

In an investigation of any complaint or administrative act of any long-term care facility or state or county department or agency providing services to older people, the ombudsman may undertake, but not be limited to, any of the following actions:

- (a) Make the necessary inquiries and obtain such information he deems necessary.
 - (b) Hold private hearings.

(c) Enter during regular business hours, a state or county department or agency's premises, or enter at any time a long-term care facility.

Following the investigation and upon his determination that particular subject matter should be further considered by the long-term care facility or state or county department or agency, an administrative act should be modified or canceled, a statute or regulation on which an administrative act is based should be altered, reasons should be given for an administrative act, or some other action should be taken by a long-term care facility or state or county department or agency, he shall report his opinions and recommendations to the respective parties. The ombudsman may request the parties affected by such opinions or recommendations to notify him within the specified time of any action taken by such parties on his recommendation.

The ombudsman shall notify, in writing or verbally, the resident or the resident's representative within a reasonable time from the date the investigation is terminated of any actions taken by him and the long-term care facility, or state or county department or agency to resolve any issues raised by the complaint.

The ombudsman, on December 1 of each year, shall submit to the governor, the speaker of the house, the president of the senate, the department of health and welfare division of licensing and certification division of occupational and professional licenses, the president of the Idaho hospital association, and the president of the Idaho health care association a report of the activities of the ombudsman for the elderly during the prior fiscal year. This report shall include, but not be limited to, the number and general patterns of complaints received by the ombudsman, the action taken on such complaints, the results of such action, and any opinions or recommendations which further the state's capability in providing for statutory resolution of complaints.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to be a limitation of the powers and responsibilities assigned by law to other state or county departments or agencies.

Records obtained by the ombudsman shall be subject to disclosure according to chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code.

SECTION 97. That Section 39-1392a, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1392a. DEFINITIONS. The following terms shall have the following meanings when used in this section:

- (1) "Emergency medical services personnel" means emergency medical services providers certified by the department of health and welfare pursuant to section 56-1011 et seq., Idaho Code, and ambulance-based clinicians as defined in the rules governing emergency medical services as promulgated by the department of health and welfare.
- (2) "Group medical practice" means a partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or other association formed for the purpose of offering health care services through physicians and other licensed or otherwise authorized health care providers who are partners, shareholders, members, employees, or contractors of such group medical practice.
- (3) "Health care organization" means a hospital, in-hospital medical staff committee, medical society, managed care organization, licensed emergency medical service, group medical practice, residential care facility or skilled nursing facility.
- (4) "Hospital" means a facility in Idaho licensed under sections 39-1301 through 39-1314, Idaho Code, and defined in section $39-1301\frac{(a)}{(1)}$, Idaho Code.
- (5) "In-hospital medical staff committees" means any individual doctor who is a hospital staff member, or any hospital employee, or any group of such doctors and/or hospital employees, who are duly designated a committee by hospital staff bylaws, by action of an organized hospital staff, or by action of the board of directors of a hospital, and which committee is authorized by said bylaws, staff or board of directors, to conduct research or study of hospital patient cases, or of medical questions or problems using data and information from hospital patient cases.
- (6) "Licensed emergency medical service" means an ambulance service or a nontransport service licensed by the department of health and welfare pursuant to section 56-1011 et seq., Idaho Code.
- (7) "Managed care organization" means a public or private person or organization which offers a managed care plan.
- (8) "Managed care plan" means a contract of coverage given to an individual, family or group of covered individuals pursuant to which a member is entitled to receive a defined set of health care benefits through an organized system of health care providers in exchange for defined consideration and which requires the member to use, or creates financial incentives for the member to use, health care providers owned, managed, employed by or under contract with the managed care organization.
- (9) "Medical society" means any duly constituted, authorized and recognized professional society or entity made up of physicians licensed to practice medicine in Idaho, having as its purpose the maintenance of high quality in the standards of health care provided in Idaho or any region or segment of the state, operating with the approval of the Idaho state board

of medicine, or any official committee appointed by the Idaho state board of medicine.

- (10) "Patient care records" means written or otherwise recorded, preserved and maintained records of the medical or surgical diagnostic, clinical, or therapeutic care of any patient treated by or under the direction of licensed professional personnel, including emergency medical services personnel, in every health care organization subject to this act, whether as an inpatient or outpatient of the health care organization.
- (11) "Peer review" means the collection, interpretation and analysis of data by a health care organization for the purpose of bettering the system of delivery of health care or to improve the provision of health care or to otherwise reduce patient morbidity and mortality and improve the quality of patient care. Peer review activities by a health care organization include, without limitation:
 - (a) Credentialing, privileging or affiliating of health care providers as members of, or providers for, a health care organization;
 - (b) Quality assurance and improvement, patient safety investigations and analysis, patient adverse outcome reviews, and root-cause analysis and investigation activities by a health care organization; and
 - (c) Professional review action, meaning an action or recommendation of a health care organization which is taken or made in the conduct of peer review, that is based on the competence or professional conduct of an individual physician or emergency medical services personnel where such conduct adversely affects or could adversely affect the health or welfare of a patient or the physician's privileges, employment or membership in the health care organization or in the case of emergency medical services personnel, the emergency medical services personnel's scope of practice, employment or membership in the health care organization.
- (12) "Peer review records" means all evidence of interviews, reports, statements, minutes, memoranda, notes, investigative graphs and compilations and the contents thereof, and all physical materials relating to peer review of any health care organization. "Peer review records" does not mean or include patient care records; provided however, that the records relating to the identification of which particular patient care records were selected for, or reviewed, examined or discussed in peer review by a health care organization and the methodology used for selecting such records shall be considered peer review records.
- (13) "Skilled nursing facility" means a facility licensed under chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code, to provide skilled care to recipients.

SECTION 98. That Section 39-3301, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-3301. LEGISLATIVE INTENT AND DECLARATION. The purpose of a residential care or assisted living facility in Idaho is to provide a humane, safe, and homelike living arrangement for adults who need some assistance with activities of daily living and personal care but do not require the level of care identified under section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code, other than for short exceptional stays meaning a treatment window designed to allow a

resident to receive treatment for a short term acute episode as determined by a licensed professional nurse.

The state will encourage the development of facilities tailored to the needs of individual populations which operate in integrated settings in communities where sufficient supportive services exist to provide the resident, if appropriate, an opportunity to work and be involved in recreation and education opportunities. Employment, recreational and educational opportunities for people with disabilities shall be offered in the most integrated setting consistent with their needs.

A residential care or assisted living facility shall be operated and staffed by individuals who have the knowledge and experience required to provide safe and appropriate services to all residents of the facility.

The administrator of the facility shall ensure that an objective, individualized assessment to determine resident needs is conducted, develop a comprehensive negotiated plan of care to meet those needs, deliver appropriate services to meet resident needs, and ensure resident rights are honored.

SECTION 99. That Section 39-3322, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 39-3322. QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR FACILITY STAFF. (1) Each facility must employ or arrange for sufficient trained staff to fully meet the needs of its residents and the requirements of this chapter. The facility shall have sufficient staff to provide care during all hours required in each resident's negotiated service plan. Additional staff may be required if physical plant and disability of residents indicate that staff assistance in emergencies is required. Benchmarks shall be established in the assessment criteria where the need for certified nursing assistants or licensed nurses is indicated. Residential care or assisted living facilities shall not retain residents who require the care provided by nursing facilities under section 39-1301(b), Idaho Code, other than for short exceptional stays pursuant to negotiated rulemaking as defined in chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code
- (2) Should a residential care or assisted living facility choose not to carry professional liability insurance, that information shall be disclosed, in writing, to employees at the time of hiring.

SECTION 100. That Section 54-3215, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-3215. EXEMPTIONS. Students enrolled in a recognized program leading to a degree in social work may practice only under the direct supervision of a social worker of the licensure status necessary to provide the appropriate level of supervision as provided by board rule. This chapter shall not apply to any employee of any facility licensed under section 39-1301($\frac{1}{2}$) The label Code, or section 39-1301(c) or (9), Idaho Code, who is designated in writing to be responsible for that facility's social services program and who receives regular consultation from a qualified social worker.

SECTION 101. That Section 56-101, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 56-101. DEFINITIONS. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter and shall have the following meanings:
- (1) "Appraisal" means the method of determining the value of the property as determined by an appraisal conducted by a member of the appraisal institute (MAI), or successor organization. The appraisal must specifically identify the values of land, building, equipment, and goodwill.
- (2) "Assets" means economic resources of the contractor, recognized and measured in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
- (3) "Bed-weighted median" is determined by arraying the average per diem cost per bed of all facilities from high to low and identifying the bed at the point in the array at which half of the beds have equal or higher per diem costs and half have equal or lower per diem costs. The identified bed is the median bed. The per diem cost of the median bed is the bed-weighted median.
- (4) "Case mix index" is a numeric score assigned to each facility resident, based on the resident's physical and mental condition, which projects the amount of relative resources needed to provide care to the resident.
- (5) "Depreciation" means the systematic distribution of the cost or other basis of tangible assets, less salvage, over the estimated useful life of the assets.
- (6) "Direct care costs" consists of the following costs directly assigned to the nursing facility or allocated to the nursing facility through medicare cost finding principles:
 - (a) Direct nursing salaries which include the salaries of registered nurses, licensed professional nurses, certificated nurse's aides, and unit clerks; and
 - (b) Routine nursing supplies; and
 - (c) Nursing administration; and
 - (d) Direct portion of medicaid related ancillary services; and
 - (e) Social services; and
 - (f) Raw food; and

- (g) Employee benefits associated with the direct salaries.
- (7) "Director" means the director of the department of health and welfare or the director's designee.
- (8) "Equity" means the net book value of all tangible and intangible assets less the recorded value of all liabilities, as recognized and measured in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.
- (9) "Facility" means an entity which contracts with the director to provide services to recipients in a structure owned, controlled, or otherwise operated by such entity, and which entity is responsible for operational decisions. In conjunction with the use of the term "facility":
 - (a) "Freestanding intermediate care" means an intermediate care facility, as defined in and licensed under chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code, which is not owned, managed, or operated by, nor is otherwise a part of a hospital, as defined in section $39-1301\frac{}{(a)}$, Idaho Code; and
 - (b) "Freestanding skilled care" means a nursing facility, as defined in and licensed under chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code, which is not owned, managed, or operated by, nor is otherwise a part of a hospital, as defined in section 39-1301 (a), Idaho Code; and

- (c) "Freestanding special care" means a facility that provides either intermediate care, or skilled care, or intermediate care for people with intellectual disabilities, or any combination of either, which is not owned, managed, or operated by, nor is otherwise a part of a hospital, as defined in section 39-1301(a), Idaho Code; and
- (d) "Hospital-based" means a nursing or intermediate care facility, as defined in and licensed under chapter 13, title 39, Idaho Code, which is owned, managed, or operated by, or is otherwise a part of a hospital, as defined in section 39-1301 (a), Idaho Code.
- (10) "Forced sale" is a sale required by a bankruptcy, foreclosure, the provisions of a will or estate settlement pursuant to the death of an owner, physical or mental incapacity of an owner which requires ownership transfer to existing partner or partners, or a sale required by the ruling of a federal agency or by a court order.
- (11) "Goodwill" means the amount paid by the purchaser that exceeds the net tangible assets received. The value of goodwill is derived from the economic benefits that a going concern may enjoy, as compared with a new one, from established relations in the related markets, with government departments and other noncommercial bodies and with personal relationships. These intangible assets cannot be separated from the business and sold as can plant and equipment. Under the theory that the excess payment would be made only if expected future earnings justified it, goodwill is often described as the price paid for excess future earnings. The amortization of goodwill is non-allowable, nonreimbursable expense.
- (12) "Historical cost" means the actual cost incurred in acquiring and preparing an asset for use, including feasibility studies, architect's fees, and engineering studies.
- (13) "Indirect care costs" consists of the following costs either directly coded to the nursing facility or allocated to the nursing facility through the medicare step-down process:
 - (a) Administrative and general care cost; and
 - (b) Activities; and

- (c) Central services and supplies; and
- (d) Laundry and linen; and
- (e) Dietary ("non-raw food" costs); and
- (f) Plant operation and maintenance (excluding utilities); and
- (g) Medical records; and
- (h) Employee benefits associated with the indirect salaries; and
- (i) Housekeeping; and
- (j) Other costs not included in direct care costs or costs exempt from cost limits.
- (14) "Interest rate limitation" means that the interest rate allowed for working capital loans and for loans for major movable equipment for intermediate care facilities for people with intellectual disabilities shall be the prime rate as published in the western edition of the Wall Street Journal or successor publication, plus one percent (1%) at the date the loan is made. All interest expense greater than the amount derived by using the limitation above shall be nonreimbursable; provided, however, that this interest rate limitation shall not be imposed against loans or leases which

were made prior to July 1, 1984. Said loans or leases shall be subject to the tests of reasonableness, relationship to patient care and necessity.

- (15) "Intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities" means an habilitative facility designed and operated to meet the educational, training, habilitative and intermittent medical needs of the developmentally disabled.
- (16) "Major movable equipment" means such items as accounting machines, beds, wheelchairs, desks, furniture, vehicles, etc. The general characteristics of this equipment are:
 - (a) A relatively fixed location in the building;
 - (b) Capable of being moved, as distinguished from building equipment;
 - (c) A unit cost sufficient to justify ledger control;
 - (d) Sufficient size and identity to make control feasible by means of identification tags; and
 - (e) A minimum life of approximately three (3) years.
- (17) "Medicaid" means the 1965 amendments to the social security act $(P.L.\ 89-97)$, as amended.
- (18) "Minor movable equipment" includes such items as wastebaskets, bedpans, syringes, catheters, silverware, mops, buckets, etc. The general characteristics of this equipment are:
 - (a) In general, no fixed location and subject to use by various departments of the provider's facility;
 - (b) Comparatively small in size and unit cost;
 - (c) Subject to inventory control;

- (d) Fairly large quantity in use; and
- (e) Generally, a useful life of approximately three (3) years or less.
- (19) "Net book value" means the historical cost of an asset, less accumulated depreciation.
- (20) "Normalized per diem costs" refers to direct care costs that have been adjusted based on the facility's case mix index for purposes of making the per diem costs comparable among facilities. Normalized per diem costs are calculated by dividing the facility's direct care per diem costs by its facility-wide case mix index, and multiplying the result by the statewide average case mix index.
- (21) "Nursing facility inflation rate" means the most specific skilled nursing facility inflation rate applicable to Idaho established by data resources, inc., or its successor. If a state or regional index has not been implemented, the national index shall be used.
- (22) "Patient-day" means a calendar day of care which will include the day of admission and exclude the day of discharge unless discharge occurs after 3:00 p.m. or it is the date of death, except that, when admission and discharge occur on the same day, one (1) day of care shall be deemed to exist.
- (23) "Property costs" means the total of allowable interest expense, plus depreciation, property insurance, real estate taxes, amortization, and allowable lease/rental expense. The department may require and utilize an appraisal to establish those components of property costs which are identified as an integral part of an appraisal.
- (24) "Raw food" means food used to meet the nutritional needs of the residents of a facility, including liquid dietary supplements, liquid thickeners, and tube feeding solutions.

- (25) "Reasonable property insurance" means that the consideration given is an amount that would ordinarily be paid by a cost-conscious buyer for comparable insurance in an arm's length transaction. Property insurance per licensed bed in excess of two (2) standard deviations above the mean of the most recently reported property insurance costs per licensed bed of all facilities in the reimbursement class as of the end of a facility's fiscal year shall not be considered reasonable.
- (26) "Recipient" means an individual determined eligible by the director for the services provided in the state plan for medicaid.
- (27) "Rural hospital-based nursing facilities" are those hospital-based nursing facilities not located within a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) as defined by the United States bureau of the census.
- (28) "Urban hospital-based nursing facilities" are those hospital-based nursing facilities located within a metropolitan statistical area (MSA) as defined by the United States bureau of the census.
- (29) "Utilities" means all expenses for heat, electricity, water and sewer.
- SECTION 102. That Section 56-1402, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

56-1402. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Department" means the department of health and welfare.
- (2) "Disproportionate share hospital" means a hospital that serves a disproportionate share of medicaid low-income patients as compared to other hospitals as determined by department rule.
- (3) "Governmental entity" means and includes the state and its political subdivisions.
 - (4) "Hospital" is as defined in section $39-1301\frac{(a)}{(a)}$, Idaho Code.
- (5) "Political subdivision" means a county, city, municipal corporation or hospital taxing district and, as used in this chapter, shall include state licensed hospitals established by counties pursuant to chapter 36, title 31, Idaho Code, or jointly by cities and counties pursuant to chapter 37, title 31, Idaho Code.
- (6) "Private hospital" means a hospital that is not owned by a governmental entity.
- (7) "Upper payment limit" means a limitation established by federal regulations, 42 CFR 447.272 and 42 CFR 447.321, that disallows federal matching funds when state medicaid agencies pay certain classes of hospitals an aggregate amount for inpatient and outpatient hospital services that would exceed the amount that would be paid for the same services furnished by that class of hospitals under medicare payment principles.
- SECTION 103. That Section 63-701, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 63-701. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:
- (1) "Claimant" means a person who has filed an application under section 63-602G, Idaho Code, and has filed a claim under the provisions of sections 63-701 through 63-710, Idaho Code. Except as provided in section 63-702(2), Idaho Code, on January 1 or before April 15 of the year in which

the claimant first filed a claim on the homestead in question, a claimant must be an owner of the homestead, a claimant must have lawful presence in the United States pursuant to section 67-7903, Idaho Code, and on January 1 of said year a claimant must be:

- (a) Not less than sixty-five (65) years old; or
- (b) A child under the age of eighteen (18) years who is fatherless or motherless or who has been abandoned by any surviving parent or parents; or
- (c) A widow or widower; or
- (d) A disabled person who is recognized as disabled by the social security administration pursuant to title 42 of the United States Code, or by the railroad retirement board pursuant to title 45 of the United States Code, or by the office of management and budget pursuant to title 5 of the United States Code, or, if a person is not within the purview of, and is therefore not recognized as disabled by, any other entity listed in this paragraph, then by the public employee retirement system or public employee disability plan in which the person participates that may be of any state, local unit of government or other jurisdiction in the United States of America; or
- (e) A disabled veteran of any war engaged in by the United States, whose disability is recognized as a service-connected disability of a degree of ten percent (10%) or more, or who has a pension for nonservice-connected disabilities, in accordance with laws and regulations administered by the United States department of veterans affairs; or
- (f) A person, as specified in 42 U.S.C. 1701, who was or is entitled to receive benefits because he is known to have been taken by a hostile force as a prisoner, hostage or otherwise; or
- (q) Blind.

- (2) "Homestead" means the dwelling, owner-occupied by the claimant as described in this chapter and used as the primary dwelling place of the claimant and may be occupied by any members of the household as their home, and so much of the land surrounding it, not exceeding one (1) acre, as is reasonably necessary for the use of the dwelling as a home. It may consist of a part of a multidwelling or multipurpose building and part of the land upon which it is built. "Homestead" does not include personal property such as furniture, furnishings or appliances, but a manufactured home may be a homestead.
- (3) "Household" means the claimant and the claimant's spouse. The term does not include bona fide lessees, tenants, or roomers and boarders on contract. "Household" includes persons described in subsection (8) (b) of this section.
- (4) "Household income" means all income received by the claimant and, if married, all income received by the claimant's spouse, in a calendar year.
- (5) "Income" means the sum of federal adjusted gross income as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, as defined in section 63-3004, Idaho Code, and to the extent not already included in federal adjusted gross income:
 - (a) Alimony;
 - (b) Support money;
 - (c) Nontaxable strike benefits;

- (d) The nontaxable amount of any individual retirement account, pension or annuity, including railroad retirement benefits, all payments received under the federal social security act except the social security death benefit as specified in this subsection, state unemployment insurance laws, and veterans disability pensions and compensation, excluding any return of principal paid by the recipient of an annuity and excluding rollovers as provided in 26 U.S.C. 402 or 403, and excluding the nontaxable portion of a Roth individual retirement account distribution, as provided in 26 U.S.C. 408A;
- (e) Nontaxable interest received from the federal government or any of its instrumentalities or a state government or any of its instrumentalities;
- (f) Worker's compensation; and

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(g) The gross amount of loss of earnings insurance.

It does not include gifts from nongovernmental sources or inheritances. To the extent not reimbursed, the cost of medical care as defined in section 213(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, incurred and paid by the claimant and, if married, the claimant's spouse, may be deducted from income. To the extent not reimbursed, personal funeral expenses, including prepaid funeral expenses and premiums on funeral insurance, of the claimant and claimant's spouse only, may be deducted from income up to an annual maximum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per claim. "Income" does not include veterans disability pensions received by a person described in subsection (1) (e) of this section who is a claimant or a claimant's spouse if the disability pension is received pursuant to a service-connected disability of a degree of forty percent (40%) or more. "Income" does not include dependency and indemnity compensation or death benefits paid to a person described in subsection (1) of this section by the United States department of veterans affairs and arising from a service-connected death or disability. "Income" does not include lump sum death benefits made by the social security administration pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 402(i). Documentation of medical expenses may be required by the county assessor and state tax commission in such form as the county assessor or state tax commission shall determine. "Income" shall be that received in the calendar year immediately preceding the year in which a claim is filed. Where a claimant and/or the claimant's spouse does not file a federal tax return, the claimant's and/or the claimant's spouse's federal adjusted gross income, for purposes of this section, shall be an income equivalent to federal adjusted gross income had the claimant and/or the claimant's spouse filed a federal tax return, as determined by the county assessor. The county assessor or state tax commission may require documentation of income in such form as each shall determine, including, but not limited to: copies of federal or state tax returns and any attachments thereto; and income reporting forms such as the W-2 and 1099.

For determining income for certain married individuals living apart, the provisions of sections 2(c) and 7703(b) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply.

- (6) "Occupied" means actual use and possession.
- (7) "Owner" means a person holding title in fee simple or holding a certificate of motor vehicle title (either of which may be subject to mortgage, deed of trust or other lien) or who has retained or been granted a life estate

or who is a person entitled to file a claim under section 63-702, Idaho Code. "Owner" shall also include any person who:

- (a) Is the beneficiary of a revocable or irrevocable trust which is the owner of such homestead and under which the claimant or the claimant's spouse has the primary right of occupancy of the homestead; or
- (b) Is a partner of a limited partnership, member of a limited liability company or shareholder of a corporation if such entity holds title in fee simple or holds a certificate of motor vehicle title and if the person holds at least a five percent (5%) ownership in such entity, as determined by the county assessor; or
- (c) Has retained or been granted a life estate.

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"Owner" includes a vendee in possession under a land sale contract. Any partial ownership shall be considered as ownership for determining initial qualification for property tax reduction benefits; however, the amount of property tax reduction under section 63-704, Idaho Code, and rules promulgated pursuant to section 63-705, Idaho Code, shall be computed on the value of the claimant's partial ownership. "Partial ownership," for the purposes of this section, means any one (1) person's ownership when property is owned by more than one (1) person or where the homestead is held by an entity, as set forth in this subsection, but more than one (1) person has the right of occupancy of such homestead. A person holding either partial title in fee simple or holding a certificate of motor vehicle title together with another person, but who does not occupy the dwelling as his primary dwelling place, shall not be considered an owner for purposes of this section, if such person is a cosignatory of a note secured by the dwelling in question and at least one (1) of the other cosignatories of the note occupies the dwelling as his primary dwelling place. The combined community property interests of both spouses shall not be considered partial ownership as long as the combined community property interests constitute the entire ownership of the homestead, including where the spouses are occupying a homestead owned by an entity, as set forth in this subsection, and the spouses have the primary right of occupancy of the homestead. The proportional reduction required under this subsection shall not apply to community property interests. Where title to property was held by a person who has died without timely filing a claim for property tax reduction, the estate of the deceased person shall be the "owner," provided that the time periods during which the deceased person held such title shall be attributed to the estate for the computation of any time periods under subsection (8) (a) or (b) of this section.

- (8) (a) "Primary dwelling place" means the claimant's dwelling place on January 1 or before April 15 of the year for which the claim is made. The primary dwelling place is the single place where a claimant has his true, fixed and permanent home and principal establishment, and to which whenever the individual is absent he has the intention of returning. A claimant must establish the dwelling to which the claim relates to be his primary dwelling place by clear and convincing evidence or by establishing that the dwelling is where the claimant resided on January 1 or before April 15 and:
 - (i) At least six (6) months during the prior year; or
 - (ii) The majority of the time the claimant owned the dwelling if owned by the claimant less than one (1) year; or

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- (iii) The majority of the time after the claimant first occupied the dwelling if occupied by the claimant for less than one (1) year. The county assessor may require written or other proof of the foregoing in such form as the county assessor may determine.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subsection, the property upon which the claimant makes application shall be deemed to be the claimant's primary dwelling place if the claimant is otherwise qualified and resides in a care facility and does not allow the property upon which the claimant has made application to be occupied by persons paying a consideration to occupy the dwelling. Payment of utilities shall not be payment of a consideration to occupy the dwelling. A claimant's spouse who resides in a care facility shall be deemed to reside at the claimant's primary dwelling place and to be a part of the claimant's household. A care facility is a hospital, nursing facility or intermediate care facility for people with intellectual disabilities as defined in section 39-1301, Idaho Code, or a facility as defined in section $39-3302 \cdot (16)$, Idaho Code, or a dwelling other than the one upon which the applicant makes application where a claimant who is unable to reside in the dwelling upon which the application is made lives and receives help in daily living, protection and security.

SECTION 104. That Section 66-327, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

RESPONSIBILITY FOR COSTS OF COMMITMENT AND CARE OF PA-66-327. TIENTS. (a) All costs associated with the commitment proceedings, including fees of designated examiners, transportation costs and all medical, psychiatric and hospital costs not included in subsection (c) of this section, shall be the responsibility of the person subject to judicial proceedings authorized by this chapter or such person's spouse, adult children, or, if indigent, the county of such person's residence after all personal, family and third party resources, including medical assistance provided under the state plan for medicaid as authorized by title XIX of the social security act, as amended, are considered. In proceedings authorized by this chapter, the court shall consider the indigency of persons subject to proceedings authorized by this chapter, in light of such person's income and resources, and if such person is able to pay all or part of such costs, the court shall order such person to pay all or any part of such costs. If the court determines such person is unable to pay all or any part of such costs, the court shall fix responsibility, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 35, title 31, Idaho Code, for payment of such costs on the county of such person's residence to the extent not paid by such person or not covered by third party resources, including medical assistance as aforesaid. The amount of payment by a county shall be the medicaid rate, or pursuant to the provisions of any contract between a provider and an obligated county, or if the facility providing the services is a freestanding mental health facility, then the reimbursement rate will be the medicaid rate, for a hospital as defined by section 39-1301(a), Idaho Code, that provides services within the nearest proximity of the mental health facility. Such costs fixed by the court shall be based upon the time services were provided.

(b) An order of commitment pursuant to the provisions of this section shall be sufficient to require the release of all pertinent information related to the committed person, to the court and obligated county, within the restrictions of all applicable federal and state laws.

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(c) The department of health and welfare shall assume responsibility for costs after the involuntary patient is committed to the custody of the state of Idaho, beginning on the day after the director receives notice that a person has been committed into the custody of the department, until the involuntary patient is discharged and after all personal, family and third party resources are considered in accordance with section 66-354, Idaho Code. The counties shall be responsible for mental health costs as defined in subsection (a) of this section if the individual is not transported within twenty-four (24) hours of receiving written notice of admission availability to a state facility. For purposes of this section, "costs" shall include routine board, room and support services rendered at a facility of the department of health and welfare; routine physical, medical, psychological and psychiatric examination and testing; group and individual therapy, psychiatric treatment, medication and medical care which can be provided at a facility of the department of health and welfare. The term "costs" shall not include neurological evaluation, CAT scan, surgery, medical treatment, any other item or service not provided at a facility of the department of health and welfare, or witness fees and expenses for court appearances. For the purposes of this section, the notice to the department may be faxed or mailed.

SECTION 105. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect upon the approval, by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, of the transition of authority from the Department of Health and Welfare, Division of Licensing and Certification, to the Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses, or on and after July 1, 2022, whichever occurs later.